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## ANNOUNCEMENT

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“Crime, its Cause and Treatment,” by Clarence Darrow Crowell. A book whose chief value is contained in its discussion of the relation of society to the delinquent and the logical attitude to be adopted toward him. The book contains much that is of interest on the subject of the futility of punishment as we now know it. It also gives valuable information about present-day methods.

A series of books and pamphlets, price 10 cents each, edited by Kirby Page, containing among them the following:—

“Industrial Unrest: A Way Out,” by Seeböhm Rowntree, with an introduction by Henry S. Dennison. The industrial experiments of these two public-spirited manufacturers, one an American, the other an Englishman, will make this pamphlet of interest to all who are studying causes of labor unrest.

“The Wage Question.” A bulletin prepared by a committee consisting of Alva W. Taylor, Olive Van Horn, Edward W. Evans, Kirby Page and F. Ernest Johnson.

“The Coal Controversy.” An inquiry by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America into the elementary facts of last year’s dispute, with a view toward meeting the moral problems arising out of the difficulties experienced in this basic industry.

“The Social Gospel and Personal Religion: Are they in conflict?” by F. Ernest Johnson.

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and Dr. J. G. Shearer. At the Moose Jaw Conference and the Saskatoon Convention addresses were given by Rev. Hugh Dobson on "Community Programme"; Rev. W. H. Adcock on "Restoring Prisoners to Citizenship"; Dr. W. C. Clark on "The Place of Law Among the People"; by Dr. J. L. Nicol on "Narcotic Drugs in Saskatchewan"; Dr. J. G. Shearer on "Progress of a Year in Federal Legislation, and in the other Provinces in "Child Welfare"; by Rev. A. E. Cooke of Vancouver, on "How Government Sale Works Out in B. C."; by R. E. A. Leech on "The Work of the Liquor Commission"; by Rev. W. A. MacDonell on "The Eastern European in Canada," followed by an address by Dr. Hoffman, a cultured Hungarian.

The Convention, though not as largely attended as desirable, was one of the best in the fifteen years of the Council's service.

Saskatchewan has now the best opportunity of any dry Province to demonstrate what Prohibition can do. The bar is gone. So is the liquor shop. Importation is outlawed. So are the export liquor houses in the hands of clever, unscrupulous Hebrews which have been the bane of the Province for these last years. The one brewery remaining is situated too far from the boundaries to make it pay to try exportation and therefore manufacture of strong beer. The one remaining source of supply for the would-be bootlegger is the illicit still and this can and doubtless will be effectively dealt with. Indeed, the majority of the bootlegging fraternity have already gone to British Columbia, the one remaining paradise in all the West in which they can hope to flourish or even survive.

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### The Alberta Convention

The Annual Convention of the Social Service Council of Alberta met in Calgary in the latter part of November, Rev. H. W. Irwin presided.

Mr. J. H. Macdonald presented the Treasurer's report which showed receipts of \$7,445.06; expenditures of \$7,432.68; but liabilities of \$6,349.09. Steps were taken to wipe out this embarrassing indebtedness, and the budget for 1923 was fixed at \$10,200, including \$1,000 for the Federal work.

Reports were presented by the President, and the General Secretary, Mr. H. H. Hull, whose work and worth were appreciated in a resolution unanimously adopted. Addresses were given by Dr. J. G. Shearer on "Progress of the Past Year" and "A Comprehensive and Modern Child Welfare Law". Dr. Huestis spoke on "The Principles and Operation of the Lord's Day Act". and an address by the Rev. Hugh Dobson on "The Propaganda and Principles of the Liquor Interests" was enthusiastically received, and deservedly so.

Reports of the Standing Committees were presented on Motion Pictures, Criminology, Legislation, and Propaganda and Publicity. The officers were re-elected. Resolutions were adopted asking that the Criminal Code be amended, making adultery and race track gambling offences, also that the following be made crimes: gambling in public places, false registration as husband and wife in hotels and lodging houses, the use of automobiles or motor launches for purposes of sexual immorality, and criticism by magistrates and judges from the bench of any criminal law under enforcement. Recommendations were also made that the age of consent in cases of indecent assault be raised from

14 to 16, and that a plan be adopted for the unification of all police forces operating in Alberta, including the municipal police under a Provincial Commission.

Further resolutions were adopted as follows:— That use be made of two abandoned Agricultural Colleges as schools for the training and care of delinquent boys and girls; an expression of appreciation for the enforcement by the Government of the liquor laws, and for its action in eliminating the liquor export warehouses; expression of the hope that the Government will adhere to its policy of appointing travelling magistrates; a declaration of the Council's determination to oppose the petition for the re-opening of bar-rooms for the sale of 8.8% beer.

Mr. H. H. Hull and Dr. J. G. Shearer subsequently interviewed Hon. J. E. Brownlee and learned with much gratification that steps were being taken to unify the R. C. M. Police, the municipal forces, and the Provincial Police under one Provincial Police Commission; that legislation is likely to be passed at this session of the Legislature consolidating and supplementing the Child Welfare Laws of the Province; that a recent case against a certain wholesale bootlegger and rum-runner in Southern Alberta has been carried to the Court of Appeal and won in that Court, which has resulted in the said gentleman giving a written undertaking to make no further attempt at similar offences. Another prominent offender against the liquor laws, one Piccarillo, an Italian, and a woman companion are on trial for shooting to death a Provincial constable. Better days are in sight for Alberta's moral and social conditions.

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### BOOK NOTICES

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"Incentives in Modern Life: Are the Motives of Jesus Practicable in Modern Business and Professional Life?" by Kirby Page.

"Industrial Facts: Concrete Data Concerning Industrial Problems and Proposed Solutions." by Kirby Page.

"Collective Bargaining: An Ethical Evaluation of Some Phases of Trade Unionism and the Open Shop Movement." by Kirby Page.

"Fellowship: A Means of Building the Christian Social Order," by Basil Matthews and Harry Bisseker, with a preface by Sherwood Eddy.

"The Sword or the Cross: An Examination of War in the Light of Jesus' Way of Life," by Kirby Page, with an introduction by Professor Harry F. Ward.

"The United States Steel Corporation: An Analysis of the Social Consequences of Modern Business Policies," by Kirby Page.

"Facing the Crisis: A Study in Present Day Social and Religious Problems," by Sherwood Eddy, price 50 cents, Association Press, New York. Part II of this book concerns itself with problems of race, of war, of industrial unrest, of wealth and poverty, and then goes on to consider the much-discussed subjects of collective bargaining and open and closed shop in the light of Christianity.



# FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

NEWTON, KANSAS

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January 1, 1923

My Dear Doctor Page:-

Pardon me for taking just a minute more of your time, first thanking you for the courtesy of your reply to mine of December 10.

When you say that "force is non-moral", that is, its use, that means does it not? that its use may become -does become- right if used for the accomplishment of a right end. Then how can its use be "inherently a violation of Jesus' way of life"?

When you say that "war and force are not synonymous", I confess I can not follow you. It seems to me that the volume or magnitude of force used is absolutely non-essential, and that for you to use any physical force, whatsoever, in the protection of your wife or daughter (pardon the disagreeableness of the suggestion) or of a neighbor, is exactly of the nature of war- war not against the person but against his nature and his deeds. And would not your use of force be non-moral exactly in the same way as above suggested? -wrong if it were used in a predatory way against the supposed individual; absolutely right when used in defense.

And may I repeat the suggestion that the right use of force is always and only in the nature of police power; and that we have just as much ground for saying that the abolition of all police power would be desirable and its use is evil, as we have for saying the same about defensive or protective war. A policeman, under the conditions supposed, might act in your stead, for the defense of your loved ones, and an army- as it seems perfectly clear to me- may be simply an organized host of policemen.

As before suggested, unfortunately we have no laboratory, as far as I am aware, where has been or could be tested, exactly, the difference in results as between the two methods, so that to declare that defensive and protective war has wrought harm and has not wrought good, can be only a statement of theory. Perhaps, however, I might claim that the field of "police power", as that is generally recognized, is as nearly a laboratory as could well be.

On the other hand, you would assert that the life and work and times of Jesus furnish such a laboratory, from which, as before suggested, I certainly dissent. And must you, yourself, not reconcile the two facts, viz., Jesus' way of life, and the modern use of police power; which latter you are bound to believe in. We would agree that



"see no evil, and look not on iniquity" is a splendid maxim, but we would not want it to be the motto of the policeman patrolling our street at night.

Begging your pardon for this length and in closing may I say that, while I do not by any means agree with all that appears in that periodical, ~~by any means~~, the Congregation-  
alist of December 27, page 887, has an article that almost exactly expresses my views, and is an unusually discerning and clarifying discussion of the subject, "Total Abstinence from War; should the Church take the Pledge".

Your's sincerely,

*Walter E. Lamphear*

Mr. Kirby Page, Author  
311 Division Avenue  
Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey

Please pardon my thoughtless lack of timely reciprocation of your splendid greeting for the season and let me now express my hearty wish of all good things for you in this new year.

*W. E. L.*



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January 2, 1923.

Kirby Page, Esq.,  
C/o Mr. C. A. Herschleb,  
347 Madison Avenue,  
New York, U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Page,

On behalf of the National Committee of Y.M.C.A's of China I take great pleasure to inform you that at the last meeting of the Executive Committee, you were appointed a member of the Industrial Personnel Committee in America with Mr. C. A. Herschleb as the convener and Mr. J. L. Childs Dr. Y. Y. Tsu and Mr. A. M. Guttery as co-workers. This committee will help to select industrial secretaries and to secure lecturers on industrial subjects to be sent to China. The Executive Committee is exceedingly happy to be able to get your help and advice in this very important phase of work that it is promoting in China. When industrialism is beginning to make its way in China, it is most important that the right influences be brought to bear so that the bitter experiences that have afflicted the west may be avoided.

The Industrial Department of the National Committee of China was organized two years ago with Mr. M. T. Tchou as its executive secretary. Mr. Tchou had his academic training at Glasgow University and has become deeply interested in and most enthusiastic for the solution of industrial problems. He has recently been asked by the Executive Committee to make a trip to America to study the industrial work as is carried on by the Y. M. C. A. in different cities and to attend the American Seminar on industrial questions to be held in London in July. It is our hope that while he is in America, he will have the benefit of consulting with you in person on the important work which holds his heart.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*David Z. T. Yui*  
*C. A. Herschleb*

LTC:H



*The International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations*  
*347 Madison Avenue, New York.*

FOREIGN DIVISION

January 9, 1923.

Dear Kirby:

I am mailing you three rather long articles on the Philippines. You may use these in any way that you can. They might be divided into two parts for a religious weekly. My report letter on the Philippines is brief and confidential. If it gets into print the paid propaganda agents of the Philippine Government in Washington will undoubtedly make a protest. I told our secretaries and the members of the Board of Directors of the Y.M.C.A. in Manila that I would follow their advice. If the Philippines were not a part of the adult world, if the people are so adolescent and childish that the issues could not be discussed, I would make no mention whatever of the Philippines in my book or in any articles; or I could merely quote the views expressed to me in interviews in the Philippines and refrain from expressing my personal opinion. They all favored my following the latter course.

~~I am sending you also one last article on China with the three long articles on the Philippines.~~ We land in India about January 17, sailing from Colombo March 7 on the Leicestershire. My address for February will be c/o Y.M.C.A. Madras, and for the first week in March c/o Y.M.C.A. Colombo.

During the voyage to India I am working on the first chapter of my book which I think I will call "The World of Labor". How do you like the title? I am now writing the chapters on Japan and China. I am not yet clear whether I shall include a chapter on the Philippines. The book may include chapters on Japan, China, the Philippines, India, Russia (if I get in) Germany and other countries in Europe, labor in England and America. My aim is to introduce students and others to the world of labor and win a sympathetic understanding of the conditions, sufferings and aims of labor throughout the world. Please let me know how the Crisis is coming and how our finances stand.

Kirby Page, Esq.  
New York City.

Ever yours,

*J. P. E.*



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January 9th, 1923.

My dear Mr. Eddy:

I have just gotten back after a ten days trip in the Middle West. I spent three days in Chicago at the time of the annual meeting of several of the Academic Societies. This made it possible for me to have interviews with a number of people concerning the 1924 Conference. I also met with the Fellowship group one evening. I had interviews with Morrison and Gilkey concerning the Chicago Conference of the F C S O in February. I think we have a strong group of leaders lined up. I also had several long talks with Eubank concerning plans for the Cincinnati Conference. I then went to Indianapolis and met with a small group including Alva Taylor to consider the work of the Commission on Industry. We had a most satisfactory conference. I then went on to St. Louis and met with a small group concerning the St. Louis Conference of the F.C.S.O. Roland Elliott was a great help. In Cleveland Robert Lewis had assembled a dozen very important people to consider the 1924 Conference and also the Cleveland Conference of the F C S O. I am amazed at the hold Lewis has upon influential people in Cleveland. In Detroit I met with Bishop Williams and a small group to consider both the 1924 Conference and the Fellowship. In Rochester, Nixon had called together an influential group to consider the work of the Commission on Industry. On the whole I think the trip was quite worth while. My expenses were taken care of by the 1924 Conference budget.

Plans for the Sectional Conferences are assuming shape and it now seems certain that we are going to have very successful conferences. I will send you details concerning the different conferences a little later.

We are having a meeting of the Commission on Industry on Wednesday and a meeting of the Executive Committee on the 19th. We are expecting Ned to arrive on the 16th. Things ought to move much faster from now on.

You will be glad to know that Mrs. Carruthers has sent in \$500. This is new money and offers hope for the future. I simply thought it was worth while to take a chance in sending her a little note. It seems to have worked out all right. Mr. West has sent in \$250.00. Sanforth has made another payment of \$500. Mrs. Woolverton and Mrs. George Warren Brown have replied in the negative. Clarence Kelsey has paid his \$1000.00. We have credited this to the Sherwood Eddy Fund.

You will be greatly shocked to hear that Miss Florence Simms passed away last Saturday. She had an operation for mastoid and it proved fatal. I have not been so shocked since the death of William Austin Smith. It will be impossible to find anyone to fill her place.

We are following through on the various articles we receive from you from time to time. These are being widely used. My impression is that they would be slightly more useful if not quite so long.



I am very much interested in your comment concerning Switzer's "Quest of the Historical Jesus." I read this book some years ago and was greatly impressed by it. As for myself, I have reached what is to me a satisfying conception of the Divinity of Jesus. I start out by assuming that there is no difference in kind between God and every human being. If we are created in the image of God, then we are necessarily of the same kind of creation as God himself. Therefore every human being is potentially God-like. Jesus I conceive as having realized God-likeness and is to me a perfect image and reflection of God himself. I think of God in terms of Jesus. Since there is no difference in kind between God and man, there is no difference in kind between Jesus and any other man. The difference in degree however, is so great that to me Jesus becomes the same as God. I am not sure whether this is good theology or not but for me it has removed all troublesome doubts concerning the person of Jesus. He is to me both God and man. My own personal religious convictions have never been so satisfying as now. I am no longer troubled with questions of theology. My difficulties come in the realm of applying the spirit and attitude of Jesus in my own life and in discovering what following him means in the complex relationships of life.

I am interested in your comment concerning Harold Gray. I think I wrote you a while ago that his father passed away some weeks ago. Morrison told me the other day that he was of the opinion that Harold had inherited between five and six million dollars. I had a Christmas card from Harold and am keeping in close touch with him. I will not ask him for any contribution at this time.

I am intensely interested in your letter concerning the possibility of sending an industrial expert out to China next year. As soon as I get definite word from David Yui and the people in China, I will approach the persons mentioned in your letter.

You will be interested in the following paragraph taken from McLachlin's letter:

"You will be glad to know that almost every center in China has written us letters of appreciation, saying that Sherwood has never been so helpful as now. Our Association secretaries and missionaries feel that his own spiritual life is deeper and his emphasis upon the social message of the gospel is just what is needed at this time in China. I should qualify this by saying, needed in the leading centers which of course were the only places that Sherwood touched on this visit."

We rejoice to know that things have gone so well with you.

Affectionately yours,

Sherwood Eddy, Esq.  
c/o YMCA  
Madras, India



of her support from the Bureau and Croly is no longer an enthusiastic supporter.

About 1500 copies of the Crisis have been sold. I am talking with Colby about issuing a little folder for wide distribution. Christianity and Economic Problems seems to be going pretty well. Slightly more than 5000 copies have been sold.

I will talk with Bob about the possibility of his joining you in 1924. He is away on a trip just now with Dr. Mott.

Give my deepest regard to all members of the party.

Affectionately yours,

Signed in Mr. Page's absence

Sherwood Eddy, Esq.  
c/o Mr. W. B. Smith  
YMCA  
Cairo, Egypt

The Rectory  
Church of The Nativity

Greenwood, Miss. 9th Jan'y, 1923.

Mr. Wm. P. Munsell,  
Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Sir,--This address by Kirby Page is "the real thing", to be read, marked, learned & inwardly digested. A dollar is about as big as a cart wheel with me these days but I am sending one anyway for an eight weeks trial. With all good wishes

Yours truly,

L. W. Rose.

*L. W. Rose*



Thursday night, Jan 11th -  
Dear Children,

we are well, & working  
away, fine weather too, we put up a  
wire netting fence around the south garden  
made it larger, took in and to the  
corner of the chicken yard, moved  
the toilet back, & put up a solid picket  
fence on that side of the back yard  
Now Alma, if you come you can take  
a trip without Floyd watching every  
step. the Honeyuckle vine screens our  
back doors from close observation <sup>too</sup>  
we had visitors Tuesday, Mrs Dr Hawkins  
& the dressmaker, wanted a days rest, so  
out they came, I was nailing on pickets  
& Murry chopping up wood, & they were  
in the yard before we saw them, they  
spent the day, sewed a little, & talked more  
Mrs Hawkins used to be Kate Wilburg



of Haverstone, lived on Haverstone and  
I think, took a business course  
at Massey's, & thinks she knew you  
made one hunt up a picture, & says  
she is sure she has seen you, & wants  
to meet you if you ever come again  
she talked of the Prof's at Massey's.

Foster, Chapman, Collier, Anisworth,  
& etc, her Father, & Brod' have a  
Laundry on Haverstone and, I met her  
Bro Xmas week, & her Step-Mother  
has been out here, last summer.

Kirby, I read your letter from Saint  
Louis, & surely hope I get to see you  
soon, Alma shall I plant garden  
for you this year, & what shall  
it be beside Carrots, I have lots  
of seeds. Mrs Cannons little girl keeps  
asking when is your children coming  
meaning, Kirby & Mary

now I must close

I love you all, write  
Mother.



DRAKE UNIVERSITY  
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JESSE COBB CALDWELL  
DEAN OF THE BIBLE COLLEGE

January 12, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Avenue,  
Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

My dear Brother Page:

Your letter to Mr. Robert Finch has just been laid upon my desk and we are mighty happy that you are to be with us for the Iowa Ministerial Association meeting. I believe we can make it a great meeting and really center the interest in our modern social programs. You are certainly right in suggesting that any one is welcome to attend the sessions of the State Association and we hope that through Mr. Finch's leadership we shall be able to enlist a considerable group outside of our own forces who are interested and who will also help to put over the F C S O.

There is one other matter and one other favor which we are going to ask of you. The custom has grown up to have a recognition day for each of the colleges of the University and a special all-university chapel in academic costume each year. We have the Bible College day in connection with the meeting of the Ministerial Association and would appreciate it very much if you would deliver the address for us on Wednesday morning, February twenty-eighth, at eleven o'clock. This address is usually about forty minutes in length and you are at liberty to bring whatever problem you desire to our student body and the whole faculty, with any friends that may gather for the occasion. I do not recall that we have had any one of our own graduates do this and I am sure you would render a great service to your Alma Mater by bringing back to her some of the results of your own larger outlook as you have seen the world's needs.

You may count on us expecting you for the Ministerial Association and we will do our best to work out the program in harmony with your suggestion.

Most sincerely yours,

*Jesse C. Caldwell*  
Jesse C. Caldwell, Dean,  
College of the Bible.

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January 13, 1923.

Dear Kirby and Alma:

We had a dandy trip to Lufkin for Christmas and brought Mr. Murry back with us to have his ears examined with a view to relieving his deafness. Secured an ear trumpet after a specialist cleaned out the wax, unstopped the nasal passages, and prescribed a general tonic for his run down condition. We showed him around quite a bit and he was excited over the entire program. He returned home on the train.

Have talked it over and think a radio outfit would not be appropriate for Mother and Mr. Murry; Mother wants a circle glass front bookcase, like she used to have, about as badly as anything. We are giving the cash and that permits them to select such things as they feel the need of greatly. Nobody knows though how badly she wants rugs, carpets, or some kind of floor covering to get her out of the sand and so much house cleaning, but Mr. Murry is not very sympathetic in this respect.

We are well and very happy in the Lord's work. Our new home will be ready for occupancy in three or four weeks and is a mild sensation already, with more to follow. It will be the niftiest thing in Houston when completed, a raised brick veneer bungalow worth at least \$12,000.00 on a large corner lot that cost \$3,250.00 and is now worth much more than that amount. Expect to throw it open to the public a day before we occupy, as an advertisement for the business, and will also invite visitors to Bible class through a number of ladies to compose a reception committee.

Perry is hunting this afternoon with Mr. Swedman. His place is so pretty now and we raised his salary to \$42. a week so he is happier in his new ease and freedom from debt worry. He is a great asset to our business and I am proud of him. The Lord is better to us every month it seems. Run down and see us when you have opportunity for it looks like no chance for us to get up that way, although Mr. Swedman is planning a trip to Sweden this summer for several weeks. Hope all is well with you and the kids.

Lovingly,

*Leak*



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January 17, 1923

My dear Kirby:

Every little while I realize the divine providence that keeps me from doing things in order that someone else may do it better. Seldom have I been surer of it than I am just now upon receiving your letter and its enclosed program. The thing is in very much better shape and in better hands than it would have been if I had undertaken to do it.

Yours,

*Harold Marshall*

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Avenue,  
Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

HM:LWM

January 17th, 1923.

My dear Sid:

I am not clear as to whether or not Sherwood approached you concerning the renewal of your generous pledge of \$2000. toward his combined program. The reason for this letter is a notice from the bank to the effect that his account is overdrawn. You will know whether or not it is possible for you to renew this subscription and whether you are in a position to send in an amount at this time. Mr. Eddy's tour expenses are proving to be heavier than he had anticipated. I have written to several interested friends and hope to receive some small amounts. I am not inclined to press you about the renewal of your generous gift since you and your father have already done so very much for Mr. Eddy. I simply pass on this information and you will know what you can do about it.

Alma and I had a feed with Kate Eddy at a Chinese restaurant the other evening - no casualties. We then dissipated to the extent of a Movie. We had a most enjoyable evening. I saw Fred Shipp just before he left. He will have a great time with Brockman on this trip.

Plans for the Fellowship conferences are coming along in great shape. I will send you details within a few days. We still have a man's size job for you in connection with the 1924 Conference if you do not go to China.

I am eager to learn about your health and plans for the future. Do drop me a line.

Affectionately yours,

Sidney Gamble, Esq.  
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*Here's another one  
Munsell*

January 19, 1923.

Munsell Publishing Co.

Gentlemen:-

In these days of propaganda it is refreshing to sit down quietly, and read your "Today's Best Thought", in the light of modern conceptions from our foremost men in active life.

I therefore enclose check for \$2.75 to continue reading the same for the next 6 months at least. Kirby Page, Roger Babson, S. Parkes Cadman, have made a decided impression with me, and such articles as these men have written, appeal to me rather than those from a strictly theological standpoint.

I shall therefore, welcome all these most timely addresses as I have during the past 6 months for which I subscribed, and wish you success for "Today's Best Thought".

Very Courteously.

*John E. Garver*



# *The International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations*

*347 Madison Avenue, New York.*

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

January 19, 1923.

Dear Sherwood:

Your letter of December 11th has just reached me. I am in the midst of a continent wide tour which takes me to thirty-four American states and Canadian provinces for the one purpose of placing the religious work emphasis in the program and activity of the Associations. It involves the holding of State Wide or Inter-State Wide Retreats, attended by the leading laymen and secretaries of all classes of Associations in each particular area. It also includes the conducting of typical religious work events or campaigns at well prepared city centers. I have thus far had eleven of these Retreats and city events, and they are going from strength to strength. It seems to be the judgment of all our leaders and workers both among the laymen and the employed officers, that this is by far the most valuable and timely service I have ever undertaken to render the Brotherhood. It will keep me occupied practically all the time until about the middle of April. I crave your daily special prayers as I proceed with this vital mission. The keynote of the tour, as I have defined it, is to augment the spiritual vitality and fruitfulness of the Young Men's Christian Associations through confronting them - especially the young men and boys - with the living Christ. My schedule is very heavy from day to day, but I am finding it most refreshing because one is conscious of being so near the Fountain Head.

Some of us practically every week, join in prayers of thanksgiving because of the good tidings which reach us of your own wonderful Christ-like ministry, the importance of which continues to grow upon us.

Before receiving your last letter, I had urged our men in the Foreign Department to press the matter of response to the cablegrams from China as to the Industrial Secretary and industrial workers. I shall use your letter as the occasion to emphasize the matter again, and will do so at once. Some of the men mentioned by you in this connection are not available, for example Galen Fisher. We have him at a tremendously important undertaking just now. I refer to his relation to the Committee on Social and Religious Surveys. Strong pressure is being brought to bear to have



him return to Japan not in the old relation of administrative and executive work, but on other lines with which you are familiar. It is difficult for me to decide what advice to give him. I have promised him that I would give him my best counsel before the end of this year. I shall welcome any suggestions from yourself in this connection. In some ways Jack Childs is the best prospect of the group of men mentioned by you. I will give this a little more thought before making a definite decision.

The only matter that stands in the way with reference to Barnett going over to Europe is the financial problem, and I am hoping that that can be solved.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Eddy and yourself, in which Mrs. Mott would join me were she here where I am dictating this letter,

Very affectionately yours,

Sherwood Eddy, Esq.,  
Y. M. C. A.,  
Madras, India.



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P. S. I earnestly hope and pray that you may make an unhurried visit to Nagpur where you and John can have a blessed time together. I think that his field and work are directly in line with the central drive of your present mission.

J.R.M.

## Central Church

METHODIST EPISCOPAL

O'FARRELL AND LEAVENWORTH STREETS

SAN FRANCISCO

WALTER JOHN SHERMAN, MINISTER

January 20" 1923

Dearest Old Thing:

Along about Sunday my conscience gets very tender. As I face the business of speaking for the Lord as in his behalf my sins begin to loom up. So I suspect that is why I take my typewriter in hand to face New Jersey. As one after another of your letters float in I have been stirred to tell you how much your study and your printed stuff helps me. You shaps who are back in the thick of things cannot appreciate how deadlly the loneliness in a big city where the tide doesn't ebb and flow twice in twenty four years. I do wish we could get a round robin started among a bunch of congenial fellows. There must be alot more like myself who feel their isolation. I never hear from Max. What an inspiration it would be to sit down with him for a few minutes now and again. Crane is too busy to write. I am really quite worried about Henry. I'm afraid he may go as his father did. I hear nothing from Dr. Eddy. And that I don't like.

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WALTER JOHN SHERMAN, MINISTER

I guess you don't know Bromley Oxnam personally do you? ~~Yea, he~~  
Oh, I take it all back, he was with you a year ago. Well, Brom, is a joy to me. Of course we don't meet as often as we would if this state weren't so long. He has taken part in a mild revolt against the Episcopal rule in the U of S.C. and feels the king's displeasure, I fear. For instance. We are to have our Area council in LA on the 8" and 9" of Feb. One discussion groupeis on Social Service and he of course should have been chosen to conduct it. What is my amazement to receive a letter from the area sec, saying that I am to lead the discussion. I am slated to do so over my instant protect. Maybe this is why I'm feeling more than usually endebted to you. It isn't an easy thing to contemplate. I'm no expert on much of this rather technical sociological stuff. What can you say to cheer me? I have your study book on Economic Problems and I propose to squeeze it dry. There will be men in attendance from Ariz and Nevada as well as from all Cal. Oh me oh my. I wish you were to be on deck.



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SAN FRANCISCO

WALTER JOHN SHERMAN, MINISTER

I am having a good time preaching lately. I had been led to the rather practical question that might be asked by the man one wants to reach on Sunday night. I was shooting towards the question "What is there in Christianity?" What does Jesus promise to give to a man? I suppose that wouldn't be a new undertaking for most old timers in the ministry but we young fellows( Just realize that that can't be used much longer) have been stressing the demands of Jesus and the challenge of Christ until in our own minds it comes as a new thot, 'What Does Jesus Present to Us?' It has cheered me to find that Coffin gave a series of talks on the same theme. I want to have some special meetings of evangelism soon. My Epworth Leaguers have promised to help and so we're set to go just after the council closes. What is your best thot on methods of winning people, now, Kirby? How complicated it has all beome of late. There is so much we want people to know and meanwhile they seem to be devoid of the very experience that makes that knowledge attractive. Aw weel. Love will find a way. Pray for me olden topper. I'm lonely in a big big town.

All sweet thots,

*Jackserene*

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JESSE COBB CALDWELL  
DEAN OF THE BIBLE COLLEGE

January 20, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Avenue,  
Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.

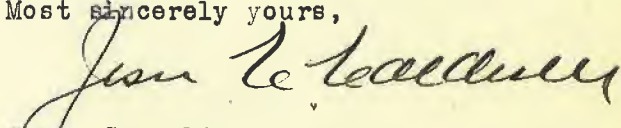
Dear Brother Page:

We have your good letter of the ~~Seventeenth~~ this morning and are very much delighted that you are to make the Bible College address on Wednesday morning, February twenty-eighth.

I am enclosing herewith program for the meeting of the Ministerial Association as the committee has formulated it to date. Of course, there may be some changes before it is finally printed but we are sending these copies out to the speakers with the request that they accept their places on the program. They thought it wise to move the afternoon sessions down an hour in order that the Association might have a little time for discussing their own problems and because we thought you would get a better general hearing from the community and student body at 3:30 than you would at 2:30. Our experience has shown that this hour suits very splendidly. If there are any additional changes you would like to make, kindly notify us.

The fact that our program committee is rather widely scattered just at this time accounts for the delays but we are going ahead here as though all were arranged and I know you will be safe in doing the same. We are expecting you as the program indicates. I am confident it will be a great meeting.

Most sincerely yours,

  
Jesse C. Caldwell, Dean  
College of the Bible.

JCC:RW

enc.



January 23, 1923.

My dear Mr. Eddy:

I am intensely interested in your letters of December 11th and 12th in which you outline the need for an Industrial expert and a National Industrial secretary in China. I shall certainly exert myself to the utmost to be of assistance in this regard. I had a talk with Jenkins this morning and he says that in another week they will be in a better position to discuss the matter than just now. Only today has the Foreign Department closed its books. They were finally successful in securing the necessary amount to balance their books but only after the most terrific struggle in their history. I shall talk with him again next week and will write you further at that time. It happens also that Professor Ward is out of town for ten days. I shall have a long talk with him at the first opportunity. You may depend upon me to follow through on these two items.

I enclose herewith a statement of the Sherwood Eddy Fund and also a statement of the Eddy and Page account. Since this statement was made up Mr. Penn sent in \$300.00, Mr. Penney \$500.00, and Mrs. W. B. Hill has responded to our appeal by sending in a check for \$1000.00. I have forwarded to Dr. Day and to Mr. Hyde the letters which you left together with a letter of my own. I have not had time to hear from them as yet. I also asked Sid whether or not he would care to renew his \$2000.00 for this year. I also sent letters to Mr. Sweet, Mr. Causey and Mr. Mansure. It seems likely that we are going to need some new money between now and your return if we are to leave the two large amounts untouched. I shall keep you informed about this matter.

Ned arrived last week and is getting well started. On Friday we had the best meeting of the Executive Committee that we have ever had. Things will surely move more rapidly from now on.

Plans for the Fellowship Conference seem to be in good shape. All indications point to a series of very significant conferences. I have put a lot of time on the preparation for these conferences but regard it as altogether worth while. As a matter of fact, my program of study has been badly shot to pieces during the last three months. I have made two long trips and several short ones. I have had to spend a lot of time on the preliminary work of the Commission on Industry. My wife is beginning to think my middle name is Committee meeting. I seem doomed for a continuation of this process for the next several months. I am quite sure, however, that it is worth while just now to concentrate upon the Fellowship and the Commission on Industry, even at the expense of my regular program of study. I do hope, however, that another year it will not be necessary for me to do as much executive and organizational work.



I am eager to have a long talk with you about the future of the Fellowship. Its importance grows upon me more and more.

We think of you constantly and pray that your work may be mightily blessed.

Affectionately yours,

Sherwood Eddy, Esq.  
c/o YMCA  
Colombo, Ceylon



January 23, 1923.

My dear Dean Caldwell:

Your letter of January 20th is at hand. I am intensely interested in the tentative program which you enclose. I have a feeling of great embarrassment as I see the frequency with which my name appears on this program. I am of the opinion that you would be wise to reduce the number of my addresses and substitute more capable speakers. I shall be glad to fit into your program in any way that seems desirable to you.

You may announce the following topic for the Chapel address on Wednesday morning: "The Function of the Church in the Modern World."

It occurs to me that in view of the chapel, it might be well to transfer the Fellowship luncheon to Tuesday noon. It seems likely that there will be more freedom on Tuesday than on Wednesday. You will, of course, use your own judgment about this.

I would deeply appreciate it if you would make an effort to secure a band of persons who will begin now to pray earnestly that these days may be profitable ones for the Kingdom. I am looking forward with the utmost eagerness to the privilege of being with you.

Cordially yours,

Dean Jesse C. Caldwell  
Drake University  
Des Moines, Iowa

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January 24, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
Young Men's Christian Ass'n. Headquarters,  
347 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Mr. Page:

Mr. Charles M. Roe, Manager of the Religious Literature Committee of the George H. Doran Company, has been kind enough to suggest that you could give me a short biographical sketch of the authors of the pamphlets printed by the Doran Company in the "Christianity and Industry" series. I refer particularly to Mr. Basil Mathews, Mr. Harry Bisseker and Mr. Sherwood Eddy.

Any assistance that you can give me in this matter will be very greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Ivy L. Lee



S. D. GAMBLE  
4 WESTMORELAND PLACE  
PASADENA, CAL.

January 24, 1923.

Dear Kirby;

Thank you for the review of Peking. I wonder if you can tell me what paper it came out in. I looked the sheet over and could not find any mark that would identify it. The collection is gradually growing.

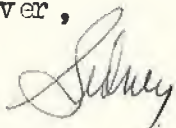
Yesterday brought a big letter from the Chief. He certainly has found things in bad shape in China. It looks as tho the YMCA were going to get behind the social work. He is urging me to go out just as soon as possible. I don't see any chance for this Spring on account of my work with the doctor but it looks more and more as tho it would have to be that in the fall. I will be anxiously waiting to see the material that he says he has asked you to send on to me.

Mother Eddy is in Pasadena so we have seen something of her. Kate Eddy comes in tomorrow for a few days before she starts off for her trip to the Orient. Life is somewhat exciting at times, you see.

How goes the development of your plans on the conference?

What a round the Chief has had in China. How he last thru I don't see. I'll bet that Waldo has his tongue hanging out most of the time. Sherwood remarked that he had written some twenty articles on China. Can't you just see and hear him getting them off in between conferences and meetings.

As ever,



January 25th, 1923.

My dear Mr. Lee:

I am very much interested in your letter of January 24th.

Mr. Sherwood Eddy is one of the Associate General Secretaries of the International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations. For fifteen years he was a secretary of the Association in India. During the past ten years he has conducted notable evangelistic campaigns among students in all parts of the world. He has probably addressed more students in different countries than any man alive. He is now on a tour in the Orient.

Mr. Basil Mathews is the editor of "Outward Bound." In the English Who's Who of 1922, eleven of his books are listed.

Rev. Harry Bisseker is Headmaster of the Leys School at Cambridge. He was formerly a member of the Faculty of London University. He was a contributor to Hastings Dictionary of Christ and the Gospels.

I think you know that Mr. Seebohm Rowntree is the chief owner and managing director of Rowntree and Company Cocoa manufacturers of York England.

You may be interested to know that No. 9 of the series is to appear within a few days. It is entitled "The Economic Order" by Professor John H. Gray of Carleton College, formerly president of the American Economic Association.

Since you addressed me in care of the Y.M.C.A., it may be well to say that I have no official connections with the Y.M.C.A. My association is a personal one with Mr. Sherwood Eddy.

Very sincerely yours.

Ivy L. Lee, Esq.  
61 Broadway  
New York City



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JANUARY, 27, 1923.

MR. KIRRY PAGE,  
HASBROUCK HEIGHTS,  
NEW JERSEY.

DEAR KIRRY,

YOUR LETTER CAME SOME WEEKS AGO AND SO I OUGHT TO BE ASHAMED OF MYSELF FOR NOT WRITING SOONER. BUT WHAT IS A FELLOW GOING TO DO WHEN HIS TYPEWRITER HAS NOT TO THE SCRAPHEAP AND HE HAS NO MONEY WITH WHICH TO BUY ANOTHER? THE ONLY THING TO DO IS GO WAIT UNTIL YOUR NEIGHBOUR GOES ON A VACATION AND THEN BORROW THE ONE HE USES. THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I HAVE DONE. WHAT A TIME I AM HAVING TRYING TO TRYING TO WRITE ON THIS HAMMOND. THE CARRIAGE IS AS STIFF AS A 'WALL FLOWER' ON A BALLROOM FLOOR.

I SEE YOU ARE STILL ON THE MOVE AS USUAL AND NOT ONLY ON THE MOVE BUT GETTING SOMEWHERE. YOU HAVE MORE PEP THAN A PUNCH OF GRINNELL ROOTERS AND THAT'S SAYING A GOOD DEAL. NOW THAT YOU HAVE THE BALL I HOPE YOU WILL MAKE A TOUCH DOWN. THE WORLD SURELY NEEDS A GOOD SHAKING UP AND IF I AM NOT MISTAKEN IT IS GETTING IT.

WE HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM OUR VACATION AND SO I CALL THIS MY VACATION LETTER. THE ONLY PLACE TO SPEND A VACATION IS SAN BERNARDINO A LITTLE GARDEN SPOT LOCATED IN A VALLEY ON THE SHORES OF A BEAUTIFUL LAKE. THERE IS A LEGEND ASSOCIATED WITH THIS BODY OF WATER WHICH GIVES ONE AN IDEA OF WHAT THESE PEOPLE THINK OF THE POWER OF THE VIRGIN MARY. IT IS SAID THAT DECADES AGO THE WHOLE VALLEY WAS OWNED AND CULTIVATED BY AN OLD FARMER WHO WAS VERY STINGY. ONE DAY THE VIRGIN CAME DISGUISED AS A BEGGAR ASKING FOR A DRINK OF WATER. THE OLD MAN WAS VERY BUSY AND PAID NO ATTENTION TO THE REQUEST. THE VIRGIN THEN VANISHED SUDDENLY AND IMMEDIATELY THE WATER IN THE WELL BEGAN TO RISE UNTIL IT FLOODED THE WHOLE VALLEY DROWNING THE FARMER AND HIS FAMILY AND LEAVING A VERY BEAUTIFUL LAKE. FOR MANY OF THE PEOPLE THE VIRGIN HAS MORE POWER TO GIVE THAN THE MASTER HIMSELF.

THE TWO WEEKS SPENT IN THE DELIGHTFUL PLACE WERE ENJOYED VERY MUCH, IN SPITE OF THE INTENSE HEAT. THAT IS ONE THING YOU CANNOT GET AWAY FROM IN THIS COUNTRY. ONE MORNING BRIGHT AND EARLY HARRY AND I STARTED OUT FOR A SMALL TOWN NESTLED AWAY AMONG THE SURROUNDING HILLS. THERE BEING NO AUTOS WE WERE FORCED TO GO HORSEBACK, NOT A VERY PLEASANT THING FOR ONE WHO HAS BEEN ACCUSTOMED TO A FORD. AFTER JOGGING ALONG FOR ABOUT TWO HOURS WE FINALLY ARRIVED IN THE SLEEPICEST TOWN I EVER SAW IN MY LIFE. I DO NOT THINK WE SAW MORE THAN A DOZEN PEOPLE AT THE TIME WE WERE THERE WHICH OF COURSE WAS ONLY ABOUT HALF AN HOUR. AND YET ALTOS IS A TOWN OF ABOUT A THOUSAND SOULS. WE SAW A STORE ON ONE CORNER AND THINKING WE COULD GET A DRINK WE ENTERED. YOU KNOW WHAT A THIRST ANIMAL LEACH IS. AS WE OPENED THE DOOR THE OWNER BEGAN TO APOLOGISE FOR THE SMALL AMOUNT OF GOODS HE HAD ON HAND SAYING THAT THE REBELS HAD BEEN ALONG AND HAD TAKEN PRACTICALLY EVERYTHING HE HAD ON HAND. THEN HE SAID "THERE IS ALWAYS SOMETHING TO PREVENT YOU FROM MAKING HEADWAY. SOME MONTHS AGO THE REVOLUTION BROKE OUT AND THE REBELS TOOK OUR STOCK OF GOODS. THEN THE GRASSHOPPERS CAME AND ATE UP EVERYTHING AROUND THIS PART OF THE COUNTRY. AND NOW THEY MAKE OUR MISERY COMPLETE WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF A DRY SPELL AND WE CAN'T PLANT A NEW CROP." HE WAS SURELY A DISCOURAGED MAN AND ONE COULD HARDLY BLAME HIM. THESE REVOLUTIONS ARE A CURSE TO THE COUNTRY. THESE PEOPLE BUILD A LITTLE MUD HUT, PLANT A GARDEN, BUY A COW AND SOME CHICKENS AND JUST WHEN THEY ARE GETTING ON THEIR FEET A REVOLUTION COMES AND NOT ONLY TAKES THE MEN BUT THE GOODS THEY HAVE LAID BY. WHAT IS THE USE OF TRYING TO BE PROPEROUS. WE TOLD HIM OF OUR WORK AND SOME DAY I HOPE TO SEE A LITTLE CHURCH PLANTED IN ALTOS, ONE THAT



WILL PRESENT A REAL CHRIST TO THESE PEOPLE WHO DO NOT KNOW HIM.

FEELING THAT OUR VISIT TO ALTOS WAS WORTH THE WHILE WE PLANNED ANOTHER VISIT TO A NEIGHBOURING TOWN WHERE ONE OF OUR BOYS LIVES. AGAIN WE TOOK THE HORSE AND AGAIN IT TOOK TWO HOURS. THE MAN WHOM WE WENT TO VISIT IS THE FATHER OF ONE OF OUR BOYS AND ONE OF THE PROMINENT BUSINESS MEN. AS WE RODE UP HE CAME OUT TO GREET US AND INVITED US TO STAY FOR DINNER. WE THANKED HIM BUT TOLD HIM WE WERE DUE BACK IN SAN BERNARDINO. AFTER VISITING WITH HIM AN HOUR OR SO WE TURNED TO GO BUT COULD NOT FIND OUR HORSES. THE MAN THEN INFORMED US THAT THEY WERE IN THE STABLE ENJOYING THEIR DINNER AND THAT HIS WIFE WAS EXPECTING US FOR DINNER AND WOULD BE DISAPPOINTED IF WE DID NOT GO. WHAT COULD WE DO? AND WHAT A FINE DINNER IT WAS. LET ME GIVE YOU SOME IDEA OF WHAT SOME OF THESE FAMILIES EAT. THE FIRST THING THAT CAME ALONG WAS WHAT WE CALL HERE 'PUCHERO'. IN THIS DISH THERE IS BOILED MEAT AND EACH ONE HAD TWO OR THREE CHUNKS PUT ON HIS PLATE. ALONG WITH THIS THERE ARE POTATOES, SWEET POTATOES, AND OTHER VEGETABLES. WHEN OUR PLATES REACHED US THEY WERE SIMPLY FILLED. AFTER THAT WE WERE VERY MUCH SURPRISED TO SEE THEM BRING THE SOUP ON, AND MIND YOU, IT WAS THAT WATERY SOUP THAT ONE FINDS IN U.S.A. BUT FILLED WITH ALL KINDS OF STUFF SO THAT ONE COULD STAND HIS SPOON UP IN IT. AFTER THAT THEY BROUGHT MEAT PIES ABOUT AS BIG AS A SOUGER AND AS DEEP AS THE AVERAGE SOUP PLATE. AFTER THAT THEY BROUGHT THE MAIN BODY OF THE DINNER WHICH CONSISTED OF CHICKEN, DUCK AND RICE. THEN CAME THE DESERT OF WATERMELONS AND GRAPES. I THOUGHT I COULD NEVER LEAVE THE TABLE SEEING I WAS SO FULL. AFTER VISITING WITH THEM UNTIL ABOUT FIVE O'CLOCK WE STARTED FOR SAN BERNARDINO ESCORTED FOR ABOUT TWO MILES BY HALF A DOZEN PEOPLE. BEFORE WE LEFT THEY MADE US PROMISE TO BRING THE WIVES OVER FOR DINNER AND SO ON OUR WAY BACK TO ASUNCION WE STOPPED THERE AND HAD ANOTHER GREAT TIME. AS A RESULT OF OUR VISIT WE ARE GOING TO HAVE THREE NEW GIRL STUDENTS AND MAY BE SOME MORE BOYS. THAT IS THE KIND OF 'PASO REAL' WORK I BELIEVE IN. WHAT SAY YOU?

WHILE WE WERE IN THIS MAN'S HOME HE GAVE US HIS REASON FOR SENDING HIS CHILDREN TO OUR SCHOOL. HE SAID THAT IN THE OTHER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WERE HIS CHILDREN HAD ATTENDED THEY WERE TEACHING TOO MUCH RELIGION. NOW THIS MAN HAS VISITED OUR SCHOOLS AND KNOWS THAT IN ALL OF OUR CLASSES WE TEACH THE CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES AS FOUND IN THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS. AND THAT WE CARRY ON THE WORK OF A SUNDAY SCHOOL, AND YET HE IS SENDING HIS CHILDREN TO OUR SCHOOL BECAUSE THEY TEACH TOO MUCH RELIGION IN THE OTHER SCHOOLS. WHAT DOES HE MEAN? HE IS CONFUSING CATECHISM WITH RELIGION. HE DOES NOT OBJECT TO WHAT WE TEACH. HE CALLS THAT GOODWORK.

AND NOW WE ARE HOME AGAIN READY FOR WORK. THE PROSPECTS SEEM PLEASING AND IF ONLY THESE MEN WILL KEEP FROM BEING 'VILE' I THINK WE SHALL HAVE A GOOD YEAR. THE ONLY THING WE FEAR IS A REVOLUTION SEEING THAT IT MIGHT KEEP OUR BOYS AWAY AND WE SHALL HAVE TEACHERS ON OUR HANDS WHO WILL HAVE TO BE PAID AND THERE WILL BE NO MONEY COMING IN. THE BOARD AT HOME IS SHORT OF FUNDS AND WE ARE DOING OUR BEST TO KEEP WITHIN OUR BUDGET BUT WE SIMPLY CANNOT PREVENT THESE REVOLUTIONS. LET US HOPE FOR THE BEST. THE PARENTS ARE BEGINNING TO BRING THEIR CHILDREN TO ENROLL WHEN. THE OTHER DAY A WOMAN CAME ALL THE WAY FROM A TOWN LOCATED ABOUT THREE DAYS JOURNEY UP THE RIVER. SHE SAID THAT SHE HAD HEARD THAT THAT THIS WAS THE BEST SCHOOL IN THE WHOLE REPUBLIC AND SHE WANTED HER BOY TO HAVE THE BEST. WE HAD TO INFORM HER THAT BECAUSE HER BOY WAS ONLY IN THE FIRST GRADE WE COULD NOT TAKE HIM AS A BOARDER. SHE WAS CERTAINLY DISAPPOINTED BUT BEFORE SHE LEFT SHE HAD MADE UP HER MIND TO RENT A COUPLE OF ROOMS IN THE CITY AND LIVE WITH THE BOY THROUGH THE SCHOOL YEAR. THAT IS THE HOPE OF PARAGUAY. MOTHERS AND FATHERS WHO THINK ENOUGH OF THEIR CHILDREN TO GIVE THEM THE BEST THAT CAN POSSIBLY BE FOUND.

JUST AS I WRITE THIS LETTER OUR MILK WOMAN HAS COME WITH A BOUTIQUE OF ROSES FOR THE WIFE. THESE FLOWERS TELL A STORY. SOME DAYS AGO SHE CAME WITH TEARS IN HER EYES SAYING THAT SHE HAD LOST 500 PESOS WHICH IS EQUIVALENT TO ABOUT TEN DOLLARS AMERICAN GOLD BUT WHICH MEANS A GOOD DEAL MORE TO HER. SOME WEEKS BACK SHE HAD BOUGHT A COW SO THAT SHE COULD SEELMILK FOR A LIVING AND HAD PAID SOME DOWN. THEN SHE HAD SAVED UP 500 PESOS TO MAKE THE FINAL PAYMENT BUT HAD LOST IT AND THE OWNER OF THE COW WAS THREATENING TO TAKE IT AWAY. WE TOOK UP A COLLECTION AMONG OURSELVES AND SO SHE SHOWS HER APPRECIATION BY BRINGING THESE ROSES. THERE IS A WOMAN, AND THERE ARE MANY OF THEM, WHO IS KEEPING HER HOME TOGETHER BY WORKING FROM EARLY IN THE MORNING TO LATE AT NIGHT. SHE ALSO SHOWED US A LETTER FROM THE BANK WHICH WAS DEMANDING FINAL PAYMENT ON A LITTLE HOUSE THAT THEY HAD BUILT FOR HER. SHE HAD TO MAKE THE PAYMENT BY THE END OF THIS MONTH OR BE TURNED OUT. SO WE ADVANCED HER MONEY ON THE 15TH AND SHE IS HAPPY ONCE MORE. IT MAKES ONE'S HEART ACHIE TO SEE THEM AS THEY FIGHT SO HARD IN THIS STRUGGLE FOR EXISTENCE.

WORD HAS JUST REACHED US THAT THE REVOLUTIONARY FORCES ARE AGAIN AT WORK. A FATHER, WHO CAME DOWN TO SEE ABOUT PUTTING HIS BOY IN SCHOOL SAID THAT THE REBELS HAD TAKEN HIS TOWN. THERE ARE THOSE WHO THINK WE SHALL HAVE ANOTHER ROW ON THE FIRST OF MARCH IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE ELECTION OF THIS MAN WHO IS NOW IN OFFICE. HE SEEMS TO BE A GOOD MAN AND IS TRYING TO PUT THE COUNTRY



ON ITS FEET. ROBBERS DO NOT LIKE GOOD LAWS AND HENCE WE HAVE TROUBLE. ( THAT STATEMENT IS FOR HOME CONSUMPTION AS WE WOULD NOT DARE TAKE SIDES) IT WOULD NOT SURPRISE ME TO SEE THE CITY ONCE MORE UNDER BOMBARDMENT.

THE ELLIOTT'S ARE GETTING ALONG WELL. THEY ARE NOW IN SAN BERNARDINO ON A SHORT VACATION. WE HAVE TO GO IN TURNS SO THAT THERE WILL BE SOMEONE HERE. WE ARE MAKING REPAIRS AND NEW ADDITIONS AND SO SOMEONE HAS TO BE ON THE JOB ALL THE TIME.

THE LEACH FAMILY STILL GROWS. THEY ARE WELL AND ENJOYING LIFE IN GENERAL. HARRY IS A GOOD CHAP AND EASY TO WORK WITH.

I WISH YOU WOULD WOULD SAY "HELLO" TO MY FRIENDS AS YOU MEET THEM ON YOUR JOURNEYS. YOU MUST PARDON THE MISTAKES BECAUSE THIS MACHINE IS SOMEWHAT STRANGE TO ME.

GOOD LUCK TO YOU. I AM GLAD THE FAMILY IS MOVING ALONG SPLENDIDLY. I NEVER DID GET THE CHANCE OF THANKING THE WIFE FOR THE USE OF HER HOME SOME THREE SUMMERS AGO. OF COURSE WE LOOKED AFTER YOU WHICH WAS SOME LITTLE ~~RECOMPENSE~~ RECOMPENSE. I WROTE TO MARVIN SOME FEW WEEKS AGO.

YOURS SINCERELY,

*Fred*

January 27th, 1923.

Dear Jack:

Your good letter of January 20th makes atonement for your long silence. You can write a good letter when you try. I am glad that so many opportunities are opening up before you.

The past year has been by far the most profitable year of my life. I think you know that I am now free to devote my time and energies to study, writing and speaking along the line of applying the teaching of Jesus in industrial life. I am planning to go the round in a series of Fellowship conferences beginning shortly. This will give me the privilege of meeting intimately groups of interested people in many sections of the country. I shall write you about these conferences later. I was in Boston the other day and had a good talk over the telephone with Henry. He was just going out to Ohio Wesleyan for ten days. You may be sure that he will have a great time.

Is there any chance of your being able to go to Denver on March 2, 3 and 4 for our Fellowship Conference? We are going to have a great group assembled. The conference will be held in the Mountains near Denver. You would get a new lease on life. We are urging Bromley to go. Do make it if you can at all do so.

Drop me a line from time to time. I am eager to keep in close touch with you.

Affectionately yours,

Rev. Walter J. Sherman  
Central M E Church  
O'Farrell and Leavenworth Sts.  
San Francisco, Calif.



January 31, 1923.

My dear Mr. Eddy:

Herewith I enclose a letter which has just come from Krumbine of Dayton. He is a man after your own heart. While he is still very young, he has the most important Lutheran church in the United States and one of the three most important churches in the city of Dayton. He could give you a hearing before people that count in the city of Dayton. You will know whether or not you can consider such a long engagement as he suggests. In any case it is my opinion that you could most profitably spend a day with him.

I have been intending for some time to write you concerning your program in this country next year. You will recall that I have suggested to you several times the possibility of your giving more attention to church leaders. I would like to suggest that you consider the following program for a number of the leading cities of this country.

1. A meeting of all the pastors in the city including Jewish Rabbis and Catholic priests wherever possible, and including also the secretaries of the Young Men's Christian Association.
2. A meeting with official representatives of church boards of the city. This would bring together the people who really control the policies and activities of the religious life of the city, and would, in my judgment, offer you a far superior opportunity to a miscellaneous collection of business men.
3. A mass meeting where members of churches would be admitted by ticket, allocating so many tickets to each church.

These three meetings - with ministers, officials and members - would enable you to influence profoundly the organized religious life of a city. I see no reason why you could not fit such meetings into a schedule of college campaigns. May I express the opinion that you ought to spend a little longer time in each community in order to do more intensive work?

I simply pass along these suggestions for whatever they may be worth.

Affectionately yours,

Sherwood Eddy, Esq.  
YMCA  
Cairo, Egypt

January 31, 1923.

Dear Sid.,

Many thanks for your note of January 24th. I am sorry that you are having such a hard time in getting back on your feet. I hope that you will gain your strength rapidly from now on. When do you plan to come East again? I am eager for a long visit.

I am starting soon on a round of Fellowship conferences. It looks to me as if we are going to have some significant gatherings. You had better plan to come on to Denver on March 2-3-4. We are going to have a great time up in the Mountains near the city. Alva Taylor and Ernest Johnson are coming and we are expecting Governor Sweet, Causey, Ben and a significant group of Colorado folks. You would have the time of your life and it would do you a lot of good. Better come along.

I enclose herewith a letter which has come from Mr. Eddy concerning industrial conditions and the need for industrial secretaries. He certainly has had a great time out there. I will miss my guess if Waldo is not looking "feak and weeble" after these months. I am planning to go over with the American Seminar in July and may possibly run over to the continent for a brief trip with the Chief.

Plans for the 1924 conference are assuming definite shape. Carter is rapidly getting his hands on things and the whole venture seems more and more significant. I have been spending most of my time recently in collecting material for the source book of selected readings. Believe me, it is a whale of a job. Most of the work is now done.

We are enjoying life at home with 21 inches of snow this month. The kiddies have been having the time of their lives coasting.

Let me have a line from you whenever you can take the time.

Affectionately yours,

Sidney Gamble, Esq.  
4 Westmoreland Place  
Pasadena, California



KIRBY PAGE  
311 DIVISION AVENUE  
HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY

Feb 23  
Des Moines - Rock Island Station

Thurs - 3:00 A.M.

Dearest Alma:

I have had three of the most  
profitable days of my life. Things  
went far better than I had hoped  
for. Eleven addresses and all of  
them went off in good shape.  
Too tired to write details tonight.

Never more rushed in my  
life. Two addresses in Lincoln  
tomorrow. Met dozens of  
old friends.

Heaps of love. More  
soon - news and love.

Your own

Daddy

February 5, 1923.

My dear Mr. Chen:

Let me thank you most heartily for your letter of January 2nd. I shall be delighted indeed to serve as a member of the Industrial Personnel Committee to help select industrial secretaries for China. I shall await some word from Mr. Herschleb as convener of this Committee.

I shall be delighted indeed to meet Mr. Tchou when he arrives in this country. We hope that nothing will prevent his joining the American Seminar in London this summer.

Cordially yours,

L. T. Chen, Esq.  
National Committee of the  
Y.M.C.A.s of China  
20 Museum Road  
Shanghai, China



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Feb. 5, 1923

Dear Shirley and Family! -

Ivy and I are taking a short vacation out at lake Itapacaran. about 1 hrs. on the train from Asuncion. It is our first trip out of Asuncion and we are enjoying it. We have had quite cool weather for Paraguay. a nice lake for swimming, we take rides etc. Our work is going to be especially spacking this year and we felt we must get away for a time.

I am not sure that I answered your last letter, but I hope you will forgive me if I didn't. We do want to keep in touch with all our old friends, but at times letter writing

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seems almost out of the question. I am sending you a prospectus of our school which will give you some idea of what we are trying to do. Our prospectus for the new year seems quite encouraging, when you stop to consider that we have had a revolution in a year and that it is still in progress.

Surby I am very much interested in your new work and I hope you will keep me in touch with it. I am sending in an application for membership. Please send me Mr. Eddy's pamphlet "America and its Problems".



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I got the "New Republic" and find it very interesting. I read it from cover to cover as the fellow says.

I just had a good letter from Bill Rossa, also one from golden Joe Rose.

I am sending you some pictures of Arthur Furman. He is some boy in spite of his parents.

I hope to get out a news letter soon.

Love to all  
act.

February 6, 1923.

Dear Leak:

I greatly enjoyed your good letter of January 13th. I was especially interested in your advertisement. You seem to have had a most prosperous year. I am delighted that prospects for the future are so good. I am eager to see your new home.

I am now planning a Southern trip beginning in Richmond, Virginia on April 26th and touching Atlanta, Birmingham, New Orleans, Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, Oklahoma City and Kansas City. According to my present schedule I leave New Orleans on a night train Wednesday May 2nd and arrive in Houston on Thursday morning. I must leave Houston Sunday night for Dallas. This means I have Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday to divide between Houston and Lufkin. I am suggesting to mother the possibility of her coming down to Houston in order that we may all be together for the four days. I am not sure whether she will find this possible. If not, then I will plan to go up to Lufkin on the Friday noon train, returning on the Sunday noon train. I rather hope that she will find it possible to come down since this will give us more time together.

I shall probably have two small meetings in Houston on Thursday. I am meeting with groups in the various cities to discuss plans for a proposed National Conference on the Christian Way of Life in Industrial, Racial and International Relations. This conference is likely to be held either in 1924 or 1925. I am serving as Secretary of the Commission on Industry. I shall talk over details with you when I see you. You may be sure I am most eager to see all of you again. We shall have many things to talk over.

I am leaving tonight for Dartmouth College and Boston. I shall be away from home a good deal during the next three months as I am covering a series of Fellowship conferences as well as making the trip on behalf of the Commission on Industry. I am preaching constantly and feel that I have had the most profitable year of my life.

We are all well at home. The kiddies are in school and are about as lively as you would want to see. Alma is busy with church work and manages to get out a good deal. Give our love to all the folks.

Affectionately,



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February 6, 1923.

Dear Perry:

I had intended to answer your letter of December 21st before this. It is the old story of good intentions not being sufficient. We are delighted to know that things are going so well with you. You ought to clean up something on that \$57,000 house.

I have just written to Leak that I expect to be in Houston on May 3, 4, 5 and 6. I am looking forward with very much eagerness to seeing all of you at that time. Things are going well with us. The kiddies are a great joy to us. You would laugh yourself sick if you were around them for a little while. They keep talking about their various uncles and aunts.

I hope all is going well with you. Drop me a line at your convenience. Alma joins in sending love to both of you.

Affectionately yours,

Perry L. Page, Esq.  
1103 Union National Bank Bldg.  
Houston, Texas



February 6, 1923.

Dear Art:

I do not seem to be able to keep the resolutions I made about writing to my friends. I have been intending for weeks to write to you again. We are rejoiced to know that you are so happy in your work. How we would like to see the new baby. He must be almost a grown man by this time. We have had brief sketches of your work from time to time and are glad to know that things are going so well. Are we correct in understanding that Fred and Harry are now in Asuncion? If so give them our deepest love.

I am still working on a free lance basis with Mr. Eddy as my financial savior. I am spending my time in studying, writing and speaking. I feel that I have had the most profitable year of my life. I am giving some time to the Fellowship for a Christian Social Order and am also serving as Secretary of the Commission on Industry of the National Conference on the Christian Way of Life, which is proposed for 1924 or 1925. I am preaching constantly and looking forward with much eagerness to the future. I am planning to go over to England and the continent this summer for further study. I do not see much of the old group. I haven't seen Gretten or Couch for some weeks.

I am under the impression that I sent you some of our little books and pamphlets. In order to make sure I am sending another set under separate cover.

All goes well with us at home. The kiddies are in school and are about as lively as you would want to see. Alma joins in sending love to all of you.

Affectionately yours,

Arthur E. Elliott, Esq.  
Asuncion, Paraguay

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February 6, 1923.

Dear Mr. Eddy:

Your letter of January 1st came this morning. We are very glad to know that you had a good trip to Manila. I am taking care of the various articles which you sent. They are being used to excellent advantage. Mr. Morrison finally found the copy of your article on Kagawa and we are sending it to another one of the papers. We are following through on the various articles. We have also been sending out regularly your various report letters.

Carter is getting well started with the work of the 1924 Conference. Everyone is delighted with him.

I am leaving tonight for Dartmouth College and the Boston Fellowship Conference. As far as I can tell, we are going to have a significant series of conferences. I will send you a full account later.

I am planning a Southern trip on behalf of the Fellowship and the 1924 Conference, at the end of April and the first part of May, covering Richmond, Atlanta, Birmingham, New Orleans, Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, Oklahoma City, Kansas City. The expense of this trip will be divided between the Fellowship and the 1924 Conference.

I am tremendously encouraged over the trend in the churches. There is a new spirit of inquiry and a new eagerness to discover the truth. I am speaking constantly in churches and before men's forums and am sure I can sense a decided change of attitude. Last evening I was at Ridgewood, N.J., speaking at the Y.M.C.A. before representatives of the various men's clubs of the city. About thirty men were present including one of the editors of the Literary Digest, a banker, several big business men, four teachers and several pastors. It was a really significant group of people with very wide outreaches. I never had a more favorable response. I spoke for about forty minutes and then we had nearly two hours of very frank discussion. It was altogether one of the most profitable evenings I have ever spent. Two years ago this kind of discussion would have been very difficult if not impossible. The tide is surely turning and these are days of opportunity for the churches. I earnestly hope that you will definitely plan to give a generous share of your time and energy directly to the churches.

You will be interested to know that Gleason is no longer with the Bureau of Industrial Research. He became convinced that the Bureau was not justified in expending \$48,000 a year and expressed himself pretty strongly to Bruere about the fact that certain members of the Bureau were loafing on the job. Bruere did not take his criticism very kindly and there was a break between them. Gleason is now working independently. He expects to go to California in the summer for some intensive writing. Mrs. Straight has withdrawn most



of her support from the Bureau and Craly is no longer an enthusiastic supporter.

About 1500 copies of the Crisis have been sold. I am talking with Colby about issuing a little folder for wide distribution. Christianity and Economic Problems seems to be going pretty well. Slightly more than 500,000.

Dear Mr. Craly:

Your letter of January last came this morning. I am taking very glad to know that you had a good trip to London. I am taking care of the various articles which you sent. They are being used to excellent advantage. Mr. Garrison finally found the copy of your article on Slavery and we are sending it to another one of the papers. We are following through on the various articles. We have also been sending out regularly your various report letters.

Garner is passing well started with the work of the 1934 Conference. Everyone is delighted with him.

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I am planning a Southern trip on behalf of the Fellowship and the 1934 Conference, at the end of April and the first part of May, covering Richmond, Atlanta, Birmingham, New Orleans, Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, Oklahoma City, Kansas City. The expenses of this trip will be divided between the Fellowship and the 1934 Conference.

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S. D. GAMBLE  
4 WESTMORELAND PLACE  
PASADENA, CAL.

February 7, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Avenue,  
Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

Dear Kirby:-

Thank you for your letter of the 31st enclosing the letter from the Chief and also his article on China's industrial situation. He certainly seems to be mightily worked up over the whole situation and the possibilities and opportunities before the Y.M.C.A. I had a very strong letter from him urging me to get back at the earliest possible moment, as he feels that I can make a distinct contribution to the work of the National Committee. The more I hear of developments in China the more I feel that probably that is the best place for me to do what work I can, though the doctor refuses as yet to let me make any plans that way. Sherwood is certainly right in saying that I would not be able to carry the program of the National Industrial Secretary. I can just see the line of work that would be handed to the man who goes in that capacity and the tremendous schedule that he would have to carry.

Sherwood did not discuss with me the possibility of my renewing my pledge to his work, but I think it will be possible for me to do it. Just at present actual cash on hand is a bit scarce, but I may be able to send you something about the first of March.

Waldo certainly must have his tongue out most of the time the way things have been going for the Chief and the amount of work he has been turning out. A letter to father speaks of his having written numerous articles as well as the various letters he has been sending. I hope that the month on the boat going to India will give him a chance to get caught up and ready for another round. How the Chief stands the strain I don't know, but we have certainly seen where he gets some of his energy, for his Mother has been here in Pasadena for some days.

We had a good visit with Kate Eddy before she started on her trip to Japan. I think it was pretty hard for her to leave home and the U.S.A. but she will be a wonderful one for the hostess house work in Tokio.

Gene Barnett has just been here and will be back again the end of this week after a conference with Brockman in Seattle. Fletcher has been held up on account of flu, but I believe sails this week. Gene has some great tales to tell of the work of the Chief and also of the development of the opportunities in China. He will probably be going on to Florida with his family, as their second boy is quite sick as the result of bronchitis. Gene had to break up his work and come home six months early. The boy is reacting well to Pasadena's climate, which after a week of rain and cold days is wonderful again. Our mountains were given a heavy blanket of snow and our oranges were treated to a bit of frost, but I think they were not frozen.



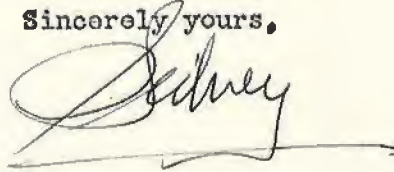
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PASADENA, CAL.

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You may be interested to know that Dick Ritter, who was one of the members of Princeton Court, has been appointed by the Presbyterian Board to their North China Mission. He is hoping to be given student work after he gets the language.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sidney", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

*The International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations*  
*347 Madison Avenue, New York.*

FOREIGN DIVISION

February 8, 1923.

Dear Kirby:

I hear from David Yui that they are sending Thomas Tchou to America to study industrial conditions and welfare work. You will already have received my letter concerning him and I trust you will do absolutely everything you can for him. Spare no time or pains. Invite him out to your house, buy him the best books to read, introduce him to the right men, see that he meets all the employers of the Harold Hatch and Egan type. Send him up to my brother Brewer in Boston, to Robert Lewis in Cleveland and do all you can for him during my absence. I will be glad to compensate you for the board while he is staying with you in New York.

He must join our group in London during July. I will see him at the Boys' Conference in Europe, and I would like to have him go with me if I go to study the co-operatives in Denmark or if I go to study the labor movement in Holland.

Could you write him at once c/o Y.M.C.A. San Francisco, to assure him that you will do everything in your power to help him? David Yui states that he is leaving China the middle of February which will bring him to San Francisco about the middle of March. He will stay two months in America and then go on to the continent of Europe.

He should look carefully into the welfare work that is being done by the Association in industry but should be carefully instructed regarding the nature of that work. They will have to conduct welfare work on a large scale and should know in detail the exact method of conducting this work as it is carried on by the Standard Oil, etc. He ought to meet Earl Dean Howard in Chicago and look into the methods of most of the welfare plans mentioned in Holt's Constitutionalism in Industry.

Ever yours,

Kirby Page, Esq.  
New York City.







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My dear Kirby: Not until  
I got away from home  
for a few days have I  
found time to go through  
your splendid manuscript  
prepared in response to my  
suggestion. You have done  
just what I wanted and  
I am truly grateful for  
your cooperation. However,  
could we afford to omit  
"The Universal Conference  
on Life and Work"? Will  
you then set down a sketchy  
paragraph - just a rough

memorandum of what  
this project is. I am  
a member of the American  
committee but my knowledge  
of its purpose has not  
defined itself in  
relation to these other  
movements as yours has  
done, and that is why  
you can be of such help  
to me. Are there not  
other movements whose  
issue will be a contribution  
to the Christian causality  
of which our former  
editorial treated. I should  
like to have our readers  
feel that the editorial  
when it appears covers  
the ground. Am here in  
Quebec for this week,  
Home Saturday. Expecting  
me the 22<sup>d</sup>.

As ever yours  
Charles Clayton Krumpholtz

Feb 8 '23



February 15, 1923.

My dear Mr. Eddy:

We had a splendid Fellowship conference at Boston. The conference was held at Mansfield, about forty minutes out from Boston. We went out there knowing that the attendance would be greatly decreased but we felt that small group there would be more vital than a large group in Boston. There was an almost unanimous feeling on the part of the persons attending the conference that our judgment was justified. There were thirty-one different persons in attendance at the conference. Some of them were not able to stay through, but there was enough continuity and the group was small enough to make the sessions intimate and intensive. With one or two exceptions the group decided that they would prefer to have the conference next year held at the same place. The quality of the group was very high and included such persons as Dr. Richard Cabot, Professor Niles Carpenter, Professor Vaughan, Prof. Evans, Professor Nash, Professor Dun, Professor Cadbury, Jerome Davis, Tippet, Marshall, etc.

The first day of the New York Conference was a joint session with Union Seminary. There were about 300 persons present with an excellent program. The group was much too large, however, for any vital discussion. The other sessions were held at Wallace Lodge and were exceedingly vital. Sixty-five different persons attended, but there were not more than thirty there at any one session. This made it possible to have intimacy and thoroughness of discussion.

We are highly pleased with both the Boston and Wallace Lodge Conferences. I am leaving on Tuesday for a series of conferences in the West. I am more than ever convinced of the vitality of the Fellowship method.

Cordially yours,

Sherwood Eddy, Esq.  
c/o YMCA  
Cairo, Egypt

February 16, 1925.

Dear Sid.,

I am greatly interested in your good letter of February 7th. I am glad to know that you are more than ever feeling the call to go out to China. I hope that nothing stands in the way of your carrying out this plan.

We are deeply grateful for your willingness to renew your pledge of \$2000. This will relieve the strain considerably.

I just got back from the Boston Fellowship Conference. We had a very vital group together. The Wallace Lodge conference went off splendidly also. I am leaving on Tuesday for a series of western conferences. I am still hoping that you will find it possible to be with us in Denver.

All goes well with us at home.

Cordially yours,

Sidney Gamble, Esq.  
4 Westmoreland Place  
Pasadena, California



PEACE COMMITTEE OF  
PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS  
304 ARCH STREET  
PHILADELPHIA

Schedule

2.16.1923

Rev. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Ave.,  
Hansbrouck Heights, N.J.

Dear Page:

As I think perhaps you know, it is our custom to hold a meeting on the subject of Peace at the time when our Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends is in session. The time for this meeting is now approaching and the Committee has asked me to write you and inquire if we may not have the privilege of having you give the address on that occasion. The exact date is the evening of Thursday, March 29th at 7.30 p.m. The meeting is usually a fairly large one of some 1,000 persons and affords the best single opportunity of the year to address our members on peace and international relations.

We want someone to give a strong stirring speech and I sincerely hope that you may find it possible to accept the invitation.

You are free to select your own subject and treat it as you wish, within the general field which I have mentioned. Of course, the approach of our people to the subject on such an occasion is the religious one, but I for one, should be very glad if you could point out the practical steps to be taken toward the realization of the Christian ideal. In saying this I am speaking for myself personally rather than for the committee, though I do not wish to imply however, that the committee disagrees.

We should of course expect to meet your expenses and if you would charge a fee we should be glad to meet that also up to a reasonable amount. Should this be the case will you be good enough to let me know what you would expect?

The meeting is to be held in the Meeting House at 4th & Arch Sts., Phila.

I know you are busy but I sincerely hope that you can come.

Sincerely yours,

EWE:EDT

*Edward W. Evans*

ADMIT TWO MEN  
MORRIS GUARDS'  
ARMORY

Sunday, February 18, 3 P. M.

# MASS MEETING FOR MEN

SUNDAY,  
FEB. 18 MORRIS GUARDS' ARMORY, 3.00 P. M.

Judge Adrian Lyon, Perth Amboy, N. J. SPEAKERS  
Rev. Kirby Page, New York City.

FORUM "The Need of Religion in Our Industrial, Social and  
Economic Life"

MALE QUARTET CHORUS SONGS  
AUSPICES Y. M. C. A.

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DIRECTOR

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# The Forty-second State Convention

*of the*

State Association of the Young  
Men's Christian Associa-  
tions of the State of  
New Jersey



DR. LAWRENCE F. ABBOTT

CONVENTION THEME

*Christianity---The Religion of Today*

VERNON ROOM, HADDON HALL  
ATLANTIC CITY  
FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 16th, 17th and 18th, 1923

# THE PROGRAM

MUSIC IN CHARGE OF GUY R. SUTTON, PLAINFIELD; J. EDWARD SPROUL, RIDGEWOOD AND JAMES A. MACART, EAST ORANGE

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON

AT TWO O'CLOCK

Music—The Bordentown Quartette.

Opening session and organization.

Judge Harold B. Wells, Bordentown  
President of the State Association,  
Presiding.

The Convention Hymn.

The Convention Prayer,  
Rev. William Thomson Hanzsche,  
Trenton.

Music—The Association Quartette.

Announcement of Committees.

"Main Issues Before the Association  
To-day and the Constitutional Con-  
vention"—Judge Adrian Lyon, Perth  
Amboy.

Discussion.

The Report of the State Executive Com-  
mittee, F. Wayland Ayer, Camden,  
Chairman.

Comments by John T. Sproull, Arling-  
ton, Treasurer.

The Report of the Trustees of the State  
Association—Charles D. Ferry, Sum-  
mit, President, Charles L. Farrell,  
Newark, Treasurer.

Five Minute Talks by Two Young  
Men—Kenneth Frazier, East Orange  
and Robert Barr, Farmingdale.

Convention Sermon—Rev. A. G. Sin-  
clair, Ph. D., Bloomfield.

Election of Officers.

## FRIDAY EVENING

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

Music—The Bordentown Quartette.

Five Minute Talks by Three Young  
Men—George Letts, Camden, Henry  
VanDenburgh, Plainfield, Elliott  
Speer, Englewood.

"Typical Qualities of American Citizen-  
ship"—Dr. Lawrence F. Abbott, New  
York City.

Presentation of New Officers.

The Association Quartette.

## SATURDAY MORNING

NINE TO TWELVE O'CLOCK

Music

Report of the Committee on the State  
Executive Committee's Report.

Report of the Business Committee.

"The Bible Today"—Dr. A. G. Sin-  
clair.

Forum.

Continuing with the Business of the  
Morning.

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON

TWO-THIRTY TO FIVE-THIRTY O'CLOCK

Business—

Report of the Commission on Mem-  
bership, William R. Ward, M. D.,  
Newark, Chairman.

Election of delegates to the Constitu-  
tional Convention.

"The Bible Today"—Dr. A. G. Sin-  
clair.

Report of the Business Committee.

Report of the Committee on Resolutions.

Report of the Committee on Creden-  
tials.

Music—Bordentown Quartette.

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON

FOUR-THIRTY O'CLOCK

Special Session for Students.

## SATURDAY EVENING

EIGHT O'CLOCK

Music—The Bordentown Quartette.

Address—"The Place of the 'Y' in  
Modern Life," Rev. W. T. Hanzsche.

Address—Mr. Samuel M. Vauclain,  
President of the Baldwin Locomotive  
Works.

Music—The Bordentown Quartette.

## SUNDAY MORNING

NINE O'CLOCK

Life Work Conference for Students  
under the leadership of Elliott Speer,  
Union Seminary and Lawrence  
French, Rutgers College.

## SUNDAY MORNING

TEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK

Public Worship with the Atlantic City  
Churches.

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON

TWO O'CLOCK

Student Session.

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON

THREE O'CLOCK

Closing Session and Mass Meeting for  
Men—Morris Guards Armory.

Music—The Association Quartette.

Forum—"The Need of Religion in Our  
Industrial, Social and Economic Life."

Judge Adrian Lyon, Perth Amboy;  
Rev. Kirby Page, New York City.



## CONVENTION BUSINESS

### I. REPRESENTATION

Each Association is entitled to five voting delegates for the first one hundred active members and an additional delegate for each additional hundred or (major) fraction thereof. The president, or chairman and employed officers of each organization which is a member of the State Association and members of the State Executive Committee and the Employed Officers thereof are entitled to all the privileges of the Convention, including the right to vote. Any number of pastors, corresponding delegates or alternates may register but without the right to vote.

### II. REGISTRATION.

Voting delegates should register on arriving in Atlantic City. The Convention Committee has fixed a registration fee of \$2.50 to be paid by each delegate toward the Convention expenses.

Families of delegates are especially invited to attend the evening sessions. Guest tickets will also be available for these sessions.

### III. ENTERTAINMENT

The local committee will undertake to provide entertainment in homes for one hundred students and young men under twenty-five years of age. Full registration of such delegates including payment of fee should be completed by February ninth.

### IV. RAILROAD RATES

Reduced Railroad rates of one-half fare on return tickets will be granted if 250 or more delegates and their wives will cooperate in requesting certificates when purchasing tickets enroute to Atlantic City. Good going February 14th to 17th and returning February 17th to 22nd.

## V. HOTELS

(For others than students)

For those desiring hotel accommodations the following reduced rates have been arranged:

American Plan—

Chalfonte—Haddon Hall—\$6.00 and up.

Dennis—\$6.50 and up.

Morton—\$4.00 and up.

Seaside—\$6.00 and up.

Glaslyn-Chatham—\$3.50 and up.

Tennent Hall (European)

## VI. COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM AND ARRANGEMENTS

Walter B. Hopping, Montclair, *Chairman*

Albert T. Bell, Atlantic City

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H. E. Parker, Passaic

W. Spencer Robertson, Madison

George W. Sharp, Jr., Perth Amboy

Samuel Shoemaker, Princeton

H. M. Voorhees, Trenton.

A. L. Hahn, Bayonne.

## VII. COMMITTEE ON LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS

Albert T. Bell, *Chairman*,

James P. Stubbs, *Secretary*.

Office in the Association Building.

For further information address—

Charles A. Coburn, *State Secretary*

49 Halsey Street

Newark, N. J.

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February 22, 1923

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Avenue,  
Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey,

My dear Mr. Page,

That was a wonderful Sunday evening we had when you visited us a week ago Sunday evening. Our people speak much of it, and there was a real spiritual atmosphere. It was the spirit which could not help but leave an educative impression.

Thank you many times for your courtesy-repeating what we said to you when you were here. With best wishes to you in the splendid enterprises of real Christian education in which you are engaged, I remain

Cordially yours,

*Harold L. Stratton*



*The International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations*  
*347 Madison Avenue, New York.*

FOREIGN DIVISION

February 22, 1923.

Dear Kirby:

In the enclosed copy you will see I am asking for information from James Lockhart as to whether or not he has decided to give the \$10,000 for which I asked to found the Union Christian College at Alwaye, Travancore. I am asking him to reply to me from New York. My reason for this is that if he says "no" by letter or cable, I want you to send the enclosed letter to Mr. D. B. Gamble 4 Westmorland Place, Pasadena, California. I do not wish the letter sent if Lockhart is going to give the money. If you receive no word from him after receiving this, will you write him a letter saying I have sailed from India and was anxious to receive word whether or not he was going to contribute \$10,000 toward the Christian College at Alwaye.

I advise you to independently and continually to cultivate Harold Gray. I do not think he has ever really learned to give or that is giving is likely to be at all adequate for his great fortune. When the time comes you will have to remind him of your talks in London and ask him to undertake your support. In the meantime send him every fresh pamphlet, keeping him in touch with the bulletins for the 1924 Conference and also the work of the Fellowship for a Christian Social Order with an occasional note from yourself. Do the same with Mr. and Mrs. Carruthers, always linking their names together; also with Mrs. Emmons Blaine, Sidney Gamble and all of our socially minded backers.

I shall be sending you from the steamer within two weeks four or five articles on India. As far as possible send these to a group of papers; one in each denomination. I shall be reaching America about the first of October. Coming back from a study of social and industrial conditions throughout Asia and Europe, I ought to have a message for some of the Church bodies and denominational conventions. Can you consult Johnson of the Federal Council

Kirby Page cont'd

and see if arrangements can be made for me to speak to large gatherings of ministers, at conventions, or to denominational gatherings? I do not want to bind myself to plunge into a tour of solid evangelism through the colleges which will leave me no time for literary work, for study or for Church gatherings. The day I had at Atlanta was typical of what I would like to do in other cities. In an all day conference of ministers and laymen, we met the leaders of the city in morning, afternoon and evening meetings.

Let me know how the plans are shaping for the Seminar. Reach out widely and in plenty of time for the best men. Be sure you include one or two labor leaders. Let every man understand the Christian character of the group. I would have no objections to a man who was not a Christian provided he staid away from the devotional meetings or provided they did not irritate him. I do not think Paul Blanchard tended to unity.

Our expenses in India will only go to about half what they were in China. The exchange in Europe should be in our favor. When you need money now my pastor, Rev. Horace Day in Bridgeport, Mrs. Blaine are the chief standbys. Remember D. B. Gamble has promised \$5,000 for the year 1923. He will send this in by installments. Keep Sid and others up to time in their pledges. Sid ought to contribute \$2,000 whether he goes to China or not.

If any financial questions come up with regard to interest on our funds or the selling of P. & G. stock, it would always be well to consult my brother Brewer Eddy, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, as he is in constant touch with financial operations. I am writing from the great Maramannu Convention where 30,000 Christians will be gathered this week. The bell is ringing for the opening meeting. I wish you were with us.

Ever affectionately yours,

Kirby Page, Esq.  
347 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.



*I will write later about your date of coming  
to Europe*



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2.23.1923

Rev. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Ave.,  
Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

Dear Page:

We are very glad that you can address our meeting on the evening of March 29th and on behalf of our Committee I want to express our warm appreciation of your acceptance.

If possible, I think the Committee may want to have the notice include a line or two about you and I am wondering whether there are any special facts which you would suggest our including if this is done.

As to possible discussion: I agree with you that it is often helpful and it may be desirable to provide for it at this meeting in accordance with your suggestion.

There are, however, one or two practical considerations which make me just a little doubtful. These are the fact that the meeting is likely to be a large one, about 1,000 as I said, and the further fact that a number of those attending live out of town and leave rather early in order to catch trains to their homes. I suggest that we leave this open until a little nearer the time.. We shall expect to get in touch with you again before the meeting comes off.

It will certainly be a pleasure to have you with us and I am sure I speak for the Committee in sending you our thanks.

Sincerely yours,

EWE:EDT

Edward W. Evans

**St. Luke's Church**

REV. DOUGLAS MATTHEWS, RECTOR  
3214 SECOND AVENUE NORTH

Billings : : Montana

February 23rd, 1923.

My dear Mr. Page:-

I have no words to tell you how true I think your contention is that war is unchristian in your little book *The Sword or the Cross*. Personally I have come to the conclusion that if another war comes I shall profess myself a pacifist and take the consequences. I have <sup>no</sup> ~~a~~ doubt in my mind that the Church will grow up to your point of view. Would to God that it might do so in a day and thus regain its leadership over the souls of men. For it requires just some such act of heroism and courage to capture the imagination of the world again.

My purpose however in writing is to suggest another explanation of the passage where Christ invites his disciples to take swords and follow him into the garden of Gethsamane. I think it is one of our Lord's most impressive pieces of parabolic teaching. It is similar to when that same night he girded himself and washed the disciples feet. So here again he has them live out his parable. For notice the end of the incident. Armed with these two swords (slightly inadequate military equipment to face the Roman Empire with) they go into the Garden. Suddenly the very enemies expected appear, and Peter thinking that he knows the mind of the Master draws his sword and cuts off the ear of the servant of the High Priest. This was the opportunity the Master was waiting for. Now he would give them a lesson in pacifism that they never would forget. So he heals the servant and draws the moral which should be written in letters of fire on the conscience of every Christian "They that take the sword shall perish ~~by~~ the sword." And the lesson was over and the disciples understood and never again did they make the mistake of trying to advance the interests of Jesus with the sword, but they bore every indignity and danger clothed in the panoply of peace.

Again thanking you, Most cordially yours,

*Douglas Matthews*



**Capitol Hill  
Church of Christ**



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**MISS MYRTLE BUSSEY**

**Organist**

MORNING WORSHIP  
Feb. 25th

Processional - - - - 6  
Doxology  
Invocation - - - Pastor  
Response  
Communion Hymn 153  
Offertory  
Anthem - - - - Choir  
Sermon - - - Dr. Kirby Page  
Hymn of Invitation - - 158  
Benediction  
Organ Postlude - Miss Bussey

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Funeral"

The funeral of Little Philipps Brooks Packard will be held from the Central Christian Church, 9th and Pleasant Sts., tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Dr. W. A. Shullenberger, the family's pastor, will preach the funeral sermon and other ministers will assist. The Capitol Hill membership will want this information so that love and sympathy may be extended to Brother and Sister Packard and their family.

"Chicken Dinner"

The Loyal Bible Class will serve chicken dinner here at the church Wednesday evening at 6:30. The tickets will be sold at 40¢. If you are planning to be present notify Mrs. Walter Van Gundy - Phone Maple 3911 - not later than Tuesday evening or Wednesday noon.

"Remember To-night 7:30"

"Women's Missionary Society"

The Women's Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. E. Bouchard, 1703 E. Grand Ave., Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The topic will be, "Empire Building", and Mrs. E. B. Dawson will lead the meeting. Those assisting are Mesdames W. Shoemaker, Ira Kellogg, Cora Cutler, R. Whithman, A. D. Dunger, and J. W. Carson.

Note:

The Executive Board will meet with Mrs. Bouchard at 1:30 sharp Thursday afternoon.

"Prayer Meeting"

The prayer meeting will be held on Wednesday evening of this week, and in connection with the class dinner. The pastor will lead the meeting, and you are urged to come.

"This Evening"

The Christian Endeavor will meet this evening at 6:15, and a special evening program will be followed out at 7:30. You are urged to bring all your friends to this evening service. There will be some information given out that they will need. Bring them along.

"Stopping Stone"

Lincoln lost the senatorship to Douglas and some folks thought his career ended; had he won this contest he might have remained only a senator. Your defeat may be your stopping stone."



EDGAR DEWITT JONES

5701 SECOND BOULEVARD  
DETROIT, MICH.

Feb. 25, 1924.

Mr. B.H. Bayless  
c/o Detroit Daily News  
Detroit.

My dear Friend:-

I do not believe I have thanked you as yet except orally for the copy of "Christianity and Economic Problems" by Kirby Page. It is a little but powerful book. It is a timely book, one that ought to be on the shelves of every preacher of the Gospel, and one that he ought to read not once or twice, but many times. The application of the teachings of Jesus to economics has been slow and hindered by some who ought to have been champions of the same. But I want to believe, and I think there are some reasons for believing that a better day is dawning and that the out and out individualistic gospel is giving way more and more to a wider and deeper and farther-reaching application of those revolutionary principles which Jesus taught.

✓ I want to congratulate you, Mr. Bayless, on your thoughtfulness and indeed your venturesomeness in sending copies of Mr. Page's book to the ministers of Detroit. It indicates your interest and it is most encouraging that a young layman like yourself should find it a joy to distribute so worthy and stimulating a book as this one on Christianity in the Economic Problems.

With all good wishes for yourself personally and the Church of the Lord Christ, the instrument of His Kingdom, I am,

Most sincerely and gratefully yours,

Edgar D. Jones

Eighth Annual Meeting  
*of the*  
Iowa Christian Ministerial  
Association



DES MOINES, IOWA  
February 26-28, 1293



*Hobbs Hall---Bible College Building  
Drake University*



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**B.A. GANN, Maxwell, Treasurer**

### General Theme of Meeting

The Function of the Church in the Modern World.

### Aim

Every Minister of the Church of Christ in Iowa a Member.

### Program For the Meeting of the Iowa Christian Ministerial Association

FEBRUARY 26-28, 1923

#### Monday Afternoon—Presiding Officer, C. R. Neel.

2:00—Devotional Period led by C. K. Gillum.  
2:30—Fellowship and Introduction of New Men.  
3:30—"Evangelism: Personal and Social," Kirby Page.  
4:15—Discussion from the Floor—led by LeRoy Munyon.

#### Monday Evening—Presiding Officer, C. N. Bigelow.

8:00—Devotional Period led by N. C. Carpenter.  
8:30—"The Significance of Modern Industrial Unrest," Kirby Page.  
9:15—Discussion led by W. A. Shullenberger.

#### Tuesday Morning—Presiding Officer, R. B. Hyten.

9:00—Devotional Period led by W. T. Walker.  
9:30—"A Unified State Program," Irving E. Wade.  
10:00—Discussion led by R. E. Musgrave, P. E. Becker, B. S. Denny,  
and H. J. Howard.  
10:45—"A Unified Sunday School Program," R. E. Kinsell.  
11:00—"Shall Disciples Remain Disciples?" F. D. Kershner.

#### Tuesday Noon—Presiding Officer, R. L. Finch.

Fellowship Luncheon for those who are especially interested  
in the "Fellowship for a Christian Social Order."

#### Tuesday Afternoon—Presiding Officer, C. V. Pence.

2:00—Devotional Period led by Sherman Kirk.  
2:30—"The Church in the City," George Purdy.  
3:00—Discussion: Sunday School. B. F. Cato.  
Christian Endeavor. G. D. Serrill.  
3:30—"Motives in Modern Life," Kirby Page.  
4:15—Discussion led by E. E. Stringfellow.

#### Tuesday Evening—Presiding Officer, D. W. Morehouse.

8:00—Devotional Period led by C. O. Stuckenbruck.  
8:30—"The Crisis of the Nations," Kirby Page.  
9:15—Discussion led by O. B. Clark.

#### Wednesday Morning—Presiding Officer, R. C. Lemon.

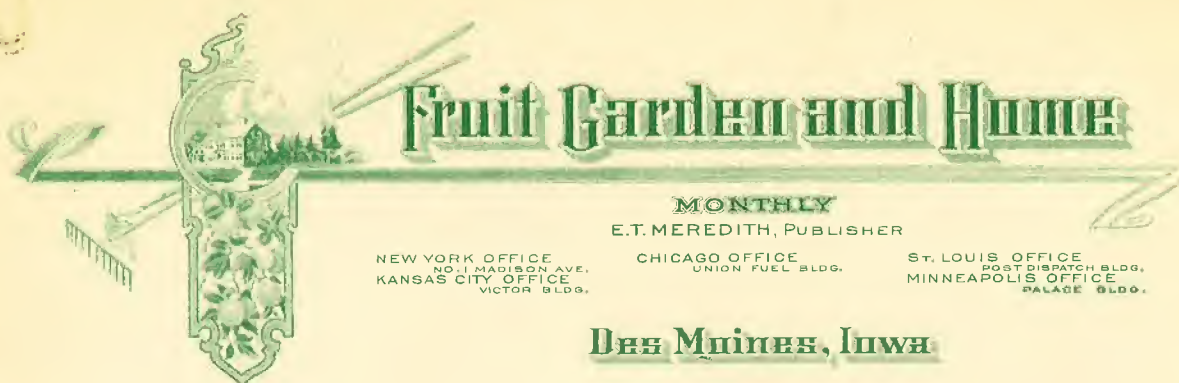
9:00—Devotional Period led by H. A. Browning.  
9:30—"The Problems of the Community Church," W. M. Baker.  
10:00—Discussion: H. A. Orchard; M. E. Miller.  
11:00—Bible College Recognition Assembly, University Auditorium.  
"The Function of the Church in the Modern World."  
Kirby Page.

#### Wednesday Afternoon—Presiding Officer, H. G. Barr.

2:00—Devotional Period led by R. H. Polly.  
2:30—"The Rural Church," Clarence Eppard.  
3:00—Discussion: Sunday School. H. L. Olmstead.  
Christian Endeavor. J. A. Burns.  
3:30—"War and the Churches," Kirby Page.  
4:15—Discussion led by S. J. Mathieson.  
5:45—Drake Ministerial Luncheon. Address, "A Minister's Attitude  
Toward His Work." C. O. Stuckenbruck.

#### Wednesday Evening—Presiding Officer, A. M. Haggard.

8:00—Devotional Period led by T. E. Tomerlin.  
8:30—"What Can We Do About Modern Social Problems?" Kirby Page.  
9:15—Discussion led by C. S. Medbury.



1 March 1923.

Dear Kirby:

I want to take a minute to drop you a line this morning, while the matter is fresh in my mind, concerning your lecture last night at Dr. Medbury's church. You see, we couldn't resist the temptation and came back to hear you, after all. Little Marilee was the most interested listener in the audience and gravely applauded at each opportunity. You made a great hit with my family, a sincere pleasure to me that I am glad to pass on to you.

Your lecture was unusually pleasing to me. I only wish there were more men in America who had the courage and the ability to take the world by the nose and lead it back to the old American standards of thought and idealism.

Your point in regard to selfishness and competition seemed to me to be the finest thing I have ever heard advanced by a public speaker, and I am glad to pass on to you the following story of how a Southern Iowa business man has realized and is putting into effect the newer ideal of brotherhood. The story was told me by Paul Rankin of Dubuque, Iowa, who is District Governor of Rotary, and who personally investigated its truth.

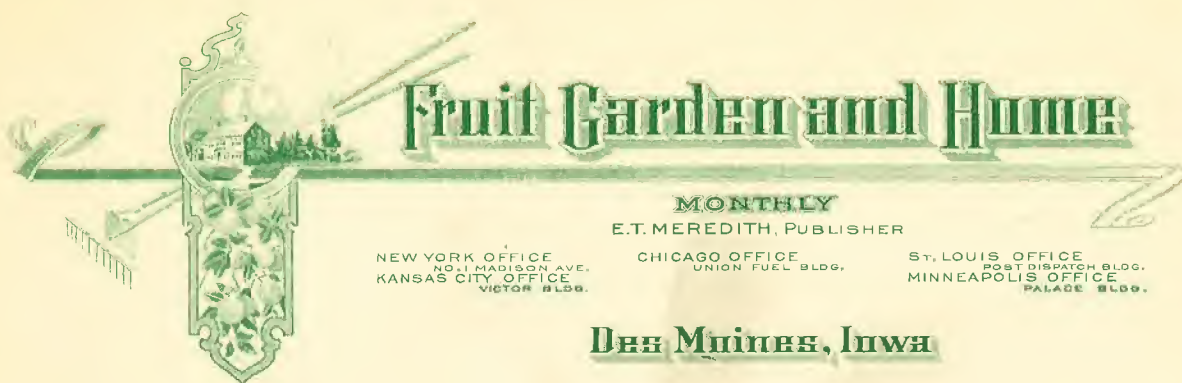
He said: "When I visited the Rotary Club in this town recently, the president pointed out a man and asked me to make special note of him, as he wanted to tell me something about him later. When the meeting was over, he told me the following story.

"That man is a shoe-dealer. He had a competitor across the street, and competition was very keen between them, so keen that they were bitter enemies and did not associate with or speak to each other. Finally, the competitor got into financial difficulty and it was rumored that he was bankrupt.

"One night as I was at dinner," said the local president, "A knock came at the door, and it was our Rotarian shoe-dealer. He asked me to get my hat and take a walk with him immediately. The request was so unusual I left my family at the table and went with him at once. We walked down the street to his competitor's house, without having said a word.

"My Rotarian friend rapped on the door, and his competitor opened it. One could tell from the strain shown on his face that the reports were true. When he saw us, anger flashed in his eyes, he drew himself up straight and looking at his Rotarian competitor, said, "Well, of all people to come here now! I should think you could leave me alone." He attempted to close the door in our faces, but the Rotarian put his foot in it, and pleaded with





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to let us in, that we wanted to talk to him. Finally, after much persuasion, he let us in and slumped down into a chair. My Rotarian friend, took out his bank book and his check book which was filled with signed blank checks. He put his hand on the competitor's shoulder and said: "Bill, they are all your's. Use as much as you need to save your business; you are at liberty to go to the limit of my balance."

"The competitor looked at him in amazement. "Why," he said, "you have been trying to put me out of business for years; what do you mean? You're just trying to add insult to injury."

"No, Bill," said the Rotarian, "I've been wrong. I'm a member of an organization known as Rotary and I'm only doing what I'm duty-bound to do. If I didn't do this I'd have to resign from that organization. The trouble has been that I've been getting more than my share of the business in this community and that bank balance belongs as much to you as to me in right."

Paul Rankin told me that later, unknown to anyone, he went down the street of that town and investigated the story himself. He talked to the competitor and when he told this competitor who he was the former broke down and wept. He said the man related the story word for word as it is told above, and added: "Mr. Rankin, that experience made a Christian man out of me. I see life a new way and I only hope before I die that I can live to be a man like my Rotarian competitor across the street who saved my business and is the best pal God ever gave me!"

I thought this little incident might be useful to you in making that point stick sometime - that business men are, today, adopting the method of the Nazarene and that it is getting results. I also refer you to the case of Bob Hicks, editor of Specialty Salesman Magazine of S. Whitley, Indiana. He was written up ~~two~~ years ago in <sup>the</sup> American. Also Arthur Nash, a big clothing mfr. of Cleveland or Cincinnati, a former preacher, who has built a tremendous business on the Golden Rule to his employees. By the way, Bob Hicks is going all over the country addressing business mens' meetings and his message is: "Learn to Give in order to Get." which, in substance, is just what you advocated last night.

You should take much comfort in the work you are doing. Keep your courage up. I know that moments of discouragement must come to you, at times, as they come to all of us - but keep on in the consciousness that the rest of us know you are doing a great service and are for you with every resource ~~at~~ <sup>at</sup> our command.



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I am mailing the Cooperative Book today. I believe you will be interested particularly in the first five chapters and the last three. The others are largely detailed evidence to substantiate the points made. I am happy to note that we seem to be agreed upon the future of the cooperative principle. There is a great opportunity now in every walk of life to champion it, particularly in the political life. I expect any day to see a Lincoln rise up and take hold of it; indeed, there must be a Lincoln and just such a reorganization in our thinking world as he brought about, if we are to face the future with any confidence at all.

Let me hear from you, at your convenience. My regards to your wife and family. I suppose you will not see this for some weeks, but I like to do things when they are uppermost in my mind.

Sincerely,

*Chesla*



*The International Committee of  
Young Men's Christian Associations  
347 Madison Avenue, New York.*

March 2, 1923

Dear Mr. Page:

I have read with great  
interest your article in the current  
issue of CHRISTIAN CENTURY. It seems  
to me admirable in matter and temper.

Cordially yours,

Kirby Page, Esq.,  
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Chefoo, March 3rd, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
347 Madison Ave.,  
New York City.  
U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Page:

This letter will introduce my very good friend and fellow-worker, Mr. M. T. Tchou, our National Industrial Secretary of China, who is on a trip of investigating Industrial conditions in America and Europe.

He is anxious to get in touch with the leaders in all phases of Industry. He will particularly appreciate any opportunities to get in personal contact with Labor leaders as he will not have as good an opportunity to get close to them as he will to Employers and Managers.

The Association in China has only recently entered the Industrial field and as modern Industry is in its early stages in China, we have the opportunity of getting at the beginning. It is, therefore, most important that we begin our work on the right basis, and there is no one who has such a large place of leadership in determining the future policy of the Association in China, as Mr. Tchou. Therefore, you can readily understand that any assistance given him will bear large results for the Christian program. I am sure that you will be delighted with Mr. Tchou and that you will get good returns for any time given to him.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Sincerely yours,



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March 5, 1923

My dear Kirby:

Moore told me that I could have you for Sunday night at my church. I am therefore announcing you. Will you please tell me what you are going to talk about?

Let me urge you very strongly to talk about the industrial motive and the mind of Christ. I have read over your articles and I am convinced that you could do something that would be very much worth while and would be an excellent follow-up to your previous address in my church. If this is satisfactory to you you need not bother about replying to this letter. If, however, you want to talk about something else let me have your subject immediately.

I will reach Cincinnati on Friday some time.

With good wishes, as ever

Your friend,

  
M. H. KRUMBINE.

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March 7th, 1923.



Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Ave.,  
Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.

Dear Friend Page:

Thanks for your telegram of acceptance, from St. Louis.

I would like to have you give us two address, one on the April 15th date and one on April 22nd, along the line of the two articles in the Christian Century.

Dr. Moore has been speaking on Monday evenings to a certain group of men who come into that Monday evening Conference, and has been emphasizing the Social Gospel, but we have had nothing from our platform this winter that raised the question of the adjustment of the economic order in conformity with the principles of Jesus.

Our Sunday afternoon meetings are called to order at 3:30 in the afternoon and we use about a half hour for music. This permits us to present the speaker at about five minutes past four, and we like to adjourn the meeting at five o'clock.

We have used both the long lecture method and the shorter address with a question period at the close, or a conversation period is perhaps the better way to designate it. Perhaps you would like to use thirty-five minutes for your address, leaving the rest of the period open for questions and conversation. Dr. Crane followed that method and it yielded very splendid results.

March 7th, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page:

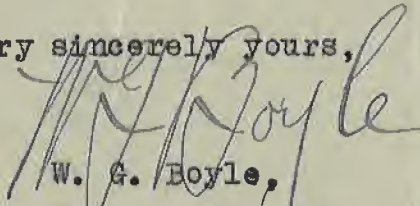
I am anxious to have our men acquainted with you and to know something of the special emphasis that you are advocating, because I am hopeful that we can arrange another year a series with you that will attract considerable attention and develop interest in this element of the Christian life.

You know where we are located, on Hanson Place, which is two short blocks from the Atlantic Avenue station of the Subway.

With cordial good wishes,

I am

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. G. Boyle".

W. G. Boyle,

Associate Executive Secretary.



Bishop Manning believe this article of the thirty-nine articles of religion: "Christ did truly rise again from death, and took again his body, with flesh, bones, and all things pertaining to the perfection of man's nature; wherewith he ascended into heaven, and there sitteth, until he return to judge all men at the last day." Does Bishop Manning wish to proclaim to the world that the flesh and bones of the historic Jesus are now in the presence of God in a physical heaven? If he does not assert this faith, his position in admonishing Dr. Percy Stickney Grant for disbelieving in some other article of the creed is not well taken. Nothing better illustrates the foolishness of our denominationalism than such incidents as these. It is well known that bishops and secretaries no more believe many archaic creedal statements than do progressive-minded ministers and teachers. The bishops and secretaries would subordinate theological reform to the interest of missionary administration and church growth. Progressive ministers insist that evangelism at home and abroad is now being defeated by the timidity of church leaders. The bishop is urged on by his fundamentalist contingency to institute heresy trials. He is inhibited by the consideration that successful heresy trials would soon rid the church of its most effective leaders. He is furthermore worried lest some one start asking the bishop embarrassing questions. Sooner or later there must come in the church a clear recognition of the fact that Christian fellowship is based upon something other than the mouthing of archaic doctrinal utterances. The good friends of Jesus Christ will at last be good friends of each other, and that will happen before they settle all the metaphysical questions associated with the apostles' and the Nicene creeds.

## Seeking Jesus' Way

SOME weeks ago The Christian Century published a short editorial interpreting the practical eagerness with which multitudes of men and women whose minds have been freed from the stiff, authoritarian morality of the past are seeking to find the way of Christ in the concrete situations which they confront daily. At that time we promised to follow our brief word with a more specific statement of the definite attempts being made by various social groups to solve the problem of a Christian way of life under modern conditions. We write now in fulfillment of that promise.

Our readers will remember that we spoke of the development of a new Christian casuistry as the great need of our time. The old superficial and arbitrary casuistry dealing chiefly with negations and prohibitions, particularly with respect to certain forms of amusement and individual morality, must be displaced, it was said, by a casuistry which accepts the complex moral situation under which we all live, thinks deeply into it, and arrives at some ground upon which a conscience sensitive to the leadership of Jesus may come to terms with life. There is wide-spread moral disquiet among Christian people.

The meaninglessness of conventional church membership is increasingly apparent, and earnest souls by the thousands are profoundly asking, What does Christ really wish a disciple of his to do in the industrial, commercial, political and other departments of the social order in which by the very necessities of life that disciple has to live?

The mind of Christ never exercised so great authority over men's thinking as today. This is chiefly due to the enormous labor of modern scholars who for more than a half century have been working at the task of removing the accumulations of centuries of superstition and tradition that have shut him away from us. As a result of the labor of the historians and our textual and higher critics we have today without exaggeration a more realistic and true image of Jesus and a clearer grasp of his teaching than any age has possessed since the last apostle died. No personality has ever inspired so great a stream of books as that which the past fifty years have given us dealing with the personality of Jesus. And this stream is at the present moment at its highest. Moreover, the heart of man, of non-ecclesiastical man, is turning with wistful hope toward him as never before, feeling that somehow he must have the secret of life which a thousand other quests have failed to discover. The barriers and inhibitions which in the long past have hindered men's faith in him have been removed by modern scholarship and the heart turns to him as the flower turns its face to the sun.

Yet, like his first disciples, we, too, are slow of understanding. We hear his words, but we do not quite know what they mean in terms of our daily experience. Therefore we are slow to put them into practice. We hold them before our thought with admiring but confused contemplation. Are they intended to be practiced? we ask. At his command some leap from the security of their little boat and walk a step or two on the unsteady waves, but they have not faith to go all the way and their feet sink in appealing despair. Yet in spite of the impetuous misadventures of some, the wistful wonder of others and the transfixed inertia of still others, Christ himself, now so realistically discerned, keeps disturbing our souls with the gracious compulsion of his own vivid presence. We dare not say that he should not be obeyed, not, at least, until we have obeyed him and found his commandment false.

This is the ethical mood of our time with respect to Jesus. There is a rising body of conviction that after these nineteen hundred years of his presence in our world the hour has about struck to give his will and his word a fair test in human practice. But when brave spirits make the venture they are confronted with the fact that no clear course has been charted for them. Life is so complex! The Christian disciple who ardently desires to take his Master seriously finds himself on the edge of a jungle of conflicting considerations. What is the way of Christ through this jungle? No single answer that has been offered by earnest souls seems generally valid.

Plainly here is a situation requiring group thinking, group research and group experiment. There is no lack of good intentions. The lack is really perceptual; no one sees



just how a Christian ought to act. We abhor war, but we do not know how to act so as to abolish it. We are shocked by atrocities and deportations but we do not know how to protect helpless minorities. We are ashamed of our racial aversions and hatreds but we do not know how to prevent lynching. Our hearts are moved to compassion by the ubiquitous fact of hunger and suffering, but we do not know how to abolish poverty. Moreover there is sharp hostility shown by the conventional Christian body toward any real effort to discover the meaning of Christianity in social relationships. Ministers are urged to "stick to their Bibles" and refrain from meddling in political or industrial affairs. Persons holding to the view that loyalty to Jesus' way of life inevitably involves fundamental changes in the present social order are regarded by the majority of their fellow Christians as dangerous radicals and given the reward of heretics. Ministers and teachers are sometimes discharged for advocating social changes that are resented by wealthy laymen.

For nearly a generation sporadic voices of individual pioneers have been raised on behalf of the Christianizing of the social order. But their voices were isolated, individual voices merely, albeit potent and quickening. But the seed they planted multiplied their kind. Frederick Maurice and Josiah Strong and Washington Gladden found the burden of their prophecy taken up by little groups here and there. In England and America there emerged informal fellowships of kindred spirits drawn together by the affinity of a common purpose to discover what Christianity does actually mean in modern life. One of the earliest of these groups in America was the Brotherhood of the Kingdom which exerted a profound influence through the lives of its members, including such men as Walter Rauschenbusch, William Newton Clarke and Samuel Zane Batten. During recent years as a conscious movement it has become inactive, with the exception of the Boston chapter which still meets regularly.

During the early days of the late war, before the United States had become a combatant, the Fellowship of Reconciliation was formed. It is composed of men and women who believe that all wars are contrary to the spirit and teaching of Jesus and that his followers should never sanction or participate in war. Many members of this fellowship were sentenced to long terms in federal prisons for refusing to obey the draft laws. Because of this fact and because war was the dominant issue at the time of its formation, the Fellowship of Reconciliation has been known chiefly as an anti-war movement. As a matter of fact, however, its interest is by no means confined to the issue of war, as may be seen from the following quotation from its statement of principles: "The love revealed in Christ profoundly reverences personality; strives to create an order of society which suffers no individual to be exploited for the profit or pleasure of another, but assures to each the means of development for his highest usefulness; seeks reconciliation between man and man, nation and nation, race and race; deepens and enriches devotion to home, to church, and to country, and harmonizes all these loyalties in dedication of life to humanity and to the universal kingdom of Christ. Since war inevitably

involves violation of these principles and disregard of the supreme value of personality, we find ourselves unable to engage in it, and since the existing organization of society engenders motives and methods which violate these principles and hinder the development of character into the likeness of Christ, we are convinced that loyalty to him and to humanity call us to seek with others such fundamental changes in the spirit of men and in the structure of the social order as shall make possible the full expression of love in personal, social, industrial, national and international life. Information concerning the Fellowship of Reconciliation may be secured from Bishop Paul Jones or Miss Grace Hutchins, 396 Broadway, New York City.

At Lake Mohonk in May of last year the Fellowship for a Christian Social Order was formed, as an effort to bind together "for mutual counsel, inspiration and co-operation, men and women who are seeking to effect fundamental changes in the spirit and structure of the present social order through loyalty to Jesus' way of life." It differs from the Fellowship of Reconciliation chiefly in that it does not require acceptance of the absolutist position against all war under all circumstances as a condition of membership, although its members hold strong views with regard to war and many of them take the absolutist position.

Concerning methods of social change, the statement of the Fellowship for a Christian Social Order has the following paragraph: "We believe that in the spirit and principles of Jesus is found the way of overcoming these evils, and that within the Christian church there should be a unity of purpose and endeavor for the achievement of a Christian social order. By means of fellowship in thought and prayer we come to understand the point of view of those who differ from us, make possible new discoveries of truth, and aid one another in the solution of common problems. We believe that social changes should be effected through educational and spiritual processes, especially by an open-minded examination of existing evils and suggested solutions, full discussion and varied experimentation. We pledge ourselves to vigorous activity in seeking by these means a solution of the social problems which we face."

Local groups of the Fellowship for a Christian Social Order are now being formed throughout the country. Ten sectional conferences are even now in course of being held in the following cities: Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Kansas City, New York City, Richmond, Virginia, and St. Louis. These conferences are conducted on the plan of retreats, the various groups going to some quiet spot near their city for two or three days of fellowship in thought and prayer. Men and women of varied experience—business men, workers, ministers, social workers, teachers and other professional men and women—make up the personnel of these gatherings. Information concerning the Fellowship for a Christian Social Order may be secured from Kirby Page, 311 Division Ave., Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

Plans are now being made for the conducting of a National Conference on the Christian Way of Life in Industrial, Racial and International Relations in 1924 or



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL  
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March 9, 1923.

WILLIAM SCARLETT, DEAN

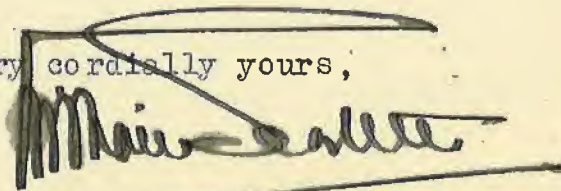
Dear Mr. Page:

I have been thinking over your proposition regarding the trip to England this summer and I am inclined to think that I can arrange it. At any rate I am so much interested that if you will find the time to write me a few details such as the probable date of sailing and the probable expense of the trip, and so forth, I shall be very grateful. And it is awfully good of you to include me in that group.

We are greatly obliged to you for coming to St. Louis to the Conference. We were disappointed in our end of it, but delighted with you and the other speakers. The feature of the Conference which will last is this: that about ten very responsible persons have caught the idea and hereafter will be dependable missionaries when we need them. So the whole thing was very much worth while. Thank you a lot for it.

Looking forward to seeing you here in May and with all good wishes,

Very cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "William Scarlett", written over a horizontal line.

Mr. Kirby Page.

*The International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations*

*347 Madison Avenue, New York.*

FOREIGN DIVISION

March 9, 1923.

Dear Kirby:

After the great Maramannu Convention where thirty thousand Syrians had gathered together and where we had a wonderful time for a week, I visited Madura and Kodaikanal. I shall sell my houses there for Rs. 70,000. If the Y.M.C.A. should want them I would sell for Rs. 60,000. After meetings at Trinity College in Kandy, Colombo, we sailed on the Bibby Line s. s. "Leicestershire". We are to spend a week in Cairo, beginning March 17, nearly a week in Assuit, going to Palestine about April 3 for nearly two weeks.

I shall probably omit Turkey in the present troubled and embittered state, and proceed from Cairo, after Jerusalem, to Italy. I shall probably spend two days each in the principal cities studying the industrial conditions, arriving in Geneva, Switzerland about May 1. My address will be 13 Avenue de Champel, c/o D. A. Davis, Geneva. Steve and I will spend some time there in the library of the Labor Department of the League of Nations, if they will allow us to use it, studying up on the industrial situation in Asia and Europe. You had better address me after April 1 to May 1, c/o D. A. Davis, 13 Avenue de Champel, Geneva. I shall be at the Boys Conference during the first days of June, and I hope to meet Carter there.

I shall be sending you a <sup>17</sup>dozen or more articles on India. Once again let me say that my chief desire is to reach the largest possible number of readers. I would like for you to take the two shortest and best articles to be used as a series in a group of papers. Can you not strike off a dozen copies of the best short articles and send them to one paper in each denomination, choosing from that long list that Doran and Johnson have of the religious periodicals? I quite realize that the best papers like The Christian Century and The Congregationalist do not do this. I am sending you plenty of articles for such papers, but surely you can combine a large group of papers and send the same article to



at least a dozen second class religious weeklies that reach thousands of readers.

You can then take the two next best short articles and send them as a series to the Methodist Syn-  
dicate. Then send a portion of the other articles to important single papers.

I kept my mind open during the whole tour in India. I have come to the conclusion that "swaraj" is coming in India within ten years. They must have complete self-determination to save their own souls. Perhaps if it comes early enough without violence and increased bitterness, they will wisely vote for Dominion status within the Empire. There are troubled seas ahead for India. But for a matured nation, I see no other way than for complete self-determination, and after one hundred and fifty years of British rule India is, or ought to be, ready for self-determination; unless she is kept in artificial subjection, which will breed servility and weakness. You will see my new position reflected in the articles, especially in the later ones. Gandhi is silent in prison, quiet in thought and prayer. He does not read the newspapers nor ask for political information when his wife and relatives visit him. I was not allowed to see him by the Governor of Bombay. Perhaps it was just as well.

I am very glad Professor and Mrs. Hill sent in a check for \$1000. I hope Sid comes across this year. Let me know at once and I will tackle him if he does not accede to your request. Your best lead in case of need is always my pastor, and a letter, or better still, a wire to Mrs. Blaine. A long night wire stating that the account was overdrawn would nearly always bring back a check for one or two thousand dollars, where a letter would be likely to be forgotten.

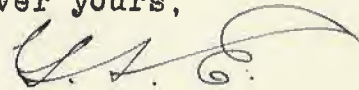
I advanced money out of my own private funds to pay our passage to Egypt. Expenses should not be so great and the exchange should be much more favorable while we are in Europe. Put the pressure on when necessary so that this tour may pay for itself. During our two months in India we have drawn \$800 on the letter of credit. I rejoice in all your letters and in the splendid work that you and Ned and the others are doing in connection with the F. C. S. O., and the Conference.

I am sending you a copy of the list of books in the library of John L. Mott, Y.M.C.A. Hostel Nagpur, India. You understand that he and seven other secretaries, mostly Indian college graduates, are doing

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the welfare work in the Empress Mills in Nagpur. They want to keep up on industrial problems. They are all a little hard up financially. Jenkins sends out an occasional book in the way of general reading. Could you make up a list of a dozen good books on economic problems and send them out to Mott one by one or two by two, putting my card in or my name on each package? Consult Jenkins so that you will not send duplicates. You or Jenkins should send "The New State" by Miss Follett. Keep a list of books you send so that I may send others from England without duplicating. All is going well.

Ever yours,



Kirby Page, Esq.  
347 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.



YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION  
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OFFICE OF  
GENERAL SECRETARY

Lincoln, Nebr.,  
March 12, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Avenue,  
Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

Dear Mr. Page:

It was a real disappointment to me not to be able to be in Nebraska during your visit. I hope you enjoyed your stay here and be assured that your meetings were very helpful.

One boy, whose ambition has been to be an officer in the Reserve Corp, informed me he had decided to change his plans, as he thought time spent in specializing in military tactics was entirely lost, since he seriously questioned whether he would actively support another war. Comments of others show conscientious thinking.

In case you are again in this section of the country, please advise us. We invite you to stop off any time.

The matter of expenses was not suggested to you, I am told. If you incurred some expenses, please send a statement of them to us at once and we will gladly take care of it.

Cordially yours,

W. P. McLaughlin

# THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

THIRD AND LUDLOW STREETS

DAYTON, OHIO

RELIGIOUS WORK DEPARTMENT

March 14, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Ave.,  
Hasbrouck Heights,  
New Jersey.

*Copy sent to Mrs. E.*

My dear Mr. Page:

If the next time you come to Dayton you will arrange to be here when the day light saving plan is in operation, we will try to slip in another engagement or two during the day.

Everyone who heard you Sunday spoke of what you are doing in the highest terms. I congratulate you on the tact and common sense that you use in getting over your message.

Sometime when you have a spare moment I wish you would write me, telling what is your own opinion regarding a local fellowship.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Yours cordially,

*J. Moore*  
Religious Work Director.

JSM:MLB



March 15, 1925.

My dear Mr. Eddy:

I have just returned from a three weeks' tour on behalf of the Fellowship. Six of the Sectional Conferences have now been held - Boston, New York, Chicago, Denver, St. Louis and Cincinnati. On the whole they have been more successful than we had anticipated. The attendance has not been large and of course it was not desired that it should be so. I think I wrote you about the Boston and the New York conferences.

The Chicago conference was held at Riverside, about an hour out of the city. It was a great success. About sixty-five persons were present. Our program was very fine including Professor Ross of Wisconsin, Dr. Tittle of Evanston, James Mullenbach, Impartial Chairman of Hart, Schaffner and Marx, Henry Hodgkin, Shailer Mathews and Chas. W. Gilkey.

The Denver conference was the best held so far. It was held in the city and the attendance was much larger. We had a very adequate representation of labor leaders and there were several important business men. We were gratified to have about a dozen Jews attend regularly. The program included Governor Sweet, Alva Taylor, Frederick Libby, Henry Hodgkin, etc. Governor Sweet attended three sessions and Causey was very active in the whole affair. Sweet is making a good record as Governor and has not been spoiled in the least. He is just as informal as ever. I stayed in Mr. Causey's home and had one meal at Governor Sweet's home. On Sunday afternoon I spoke at Lackland's famous forum and had the time of my young life.

The St. Louis conference got away with a bad start due to a number of causes. In the first place we did not have an active local group in St. Louis and the preparation was inadequate. Then we ran into a community chest drive, an epidemic of the flu and a season of bad weather. The last three sessions, however, were well attended and included a number of significant people. The program was of a high calibre including Morrison of the Century, Ernest Johnson and Alva Taylor. The local group felt quite pleased with the final outcome.

The Cincinnati conference was a very great success with a delegation of twelve from Dayton, seven from Indianapolis and delegates from Columbus, Delaware, Hamilton and Northern Kentucky. The program included Dr. Garland of the National Cash Register Co. of Dayton, Krumbine of Dayton, Arthur Nash, Johnson, Taylor, Hapgood a business man from Indianapolis, and a number of local people. There were about 125 different persons in attendance. Arthur Nash attended every session and showed deep interest in the whole Movement. Some of us were amazed at some of the statements he made during the discussion period to the effect that he believed the present economic order was utterly pagan and could not be patched up. His spirit made a deep impression on the group although there was a general feeling that as yet



he has not sensed the real nature of modern industry. The members of the conference had lunch at his factory and were taken about through the various departments. I was glad of the chance to get acquainted with him.

Alva Taylor and I conducted a one-day Fellowship conference at Columbus where we had a most profitable time.

On Sunday I spoke five times at Dayton including an address before 150 men in the morning, the YMCA Forum in the afternoon, two addresses at the Y.W.C.A. in the late afternoon, and a sermon in Krumbine's church in the evening.

During the period between the Chicago and Denver conferences, I stopped off at Des Moines and Lincoln. In Des Moines I had the unique privilege of giving eight addresses before a group of 100 ministers. I also had an hour's conference with fifteen of the editors of Mr. Meredith's papers. I think you know that he was formerly Secretary of Agriculture in President Wilson's Cabinet, and edits a number of Foreign papers with a combined circulation of nearly two million copies. On that Sunday morning I preached in the Capital Hill Christian Church. From this same pulpit in the evening, the pastor preached for an hour and forty minutes on the subject, "Eleven Reasons Why I am a Member of the Ku Klux Klan." I never witnessed such a disgraceful performance in my life. At Lincoln I spoke twice before a small group at the University of Nebraska.

The six sectional conferences held so far have convinced me beyond any question that the Fellowship has taken root and that it is serving a real need. I hope we may avoid the temptation to promote it unduly. I am still of the opinion that we ought to let it grow slowly and get its roots down pretty deep before attempting to branch out too rapidly. Four of the conferences are coming after Easter.

While in Denver I had a long confidential talk with Ben Cherrington. He tells me that for many months now certain of the State secretaries and influential laymen have been making an effort to force his retirement. Thus far they have not been successful but Ben is a little concerned as to the future. As a matter of fact he is not very happy in his present work. Since there are so few state secretaries in his area, he is compelled to do a vast amount of detail work and is therefore deprived of the full opportunity to give his prophetic message. I raised the question with him informally and unofficially as to whether or not he would consider a proposition to give his whole time to the F.C.S.O. I am inclined to believe that he would do this if the opportunity were open. I am personally of the opinion that Ben has rare qualifications for this important work. If we had some way to finance him, I would suggest that he serve as a non-salaried secretary of the Fellowship in somewhat the same capacity that I am now serving. One or two things must happen. Either I will have to give up much of my study and writing and neglect the work of the Commission on Industry of the 1924 Conference, or we must secure an additional secretary of the F.C.S.O. if it is to be adequately provided for. As you know, Ben is an excellent speaker and has very great tact and judgment. If he were set free to go



about the country meeting with various groups and giving his great message, I am convinced he would have a profound influence wherever he went. I can conceive of few ways in which money could be better invested than to set Ben free for this work. I am eager to have a long talk with you about this matter. Ben is particularly eager to have this kept in absolute confidence for the time being. He does not even desire that Porter or Dr. Mott should know how he feels at this time. I think it is quite likely that he will be with us in England this summer. I passed on to him the information that you left with me to the effect that if it were absolutely necessary, you would be willing to help on his expenses to the extent of \$200.00.

Thos. Tchou has arrived in San Francisco and is headed toward the East. I wired him a note of welcome and have written him giving suggestions for the various cities. I shall certainly do everything within my power to make his stay profitable and am eager to know him personally.

This afternoon Herschleb, Childs and I are meeting to discuss the question of an industrial secretary for China. I have had one long talk with Professor Ward and expect to see him again within a day or two.

I am very much interested in what you write concerning your new book. I shall certainly do what I can to help with the chapter on Labor in America. With regard to the title, I am under the impression that G.D.H.Cole has a book with the very title you suggested, namely, "The World of Labor." I shall verify this and let you know.

During the last four months my regular program has been knocked into a cocked hat. I have made three trips on behalf of the Fellowship and the 1924 Conference and have been compelled to concentrate upon the collection of material for the book of selected readings and have several weeks' work yet to do in getting this book ready for the press and correcting proof. This means that my regular program of reading has been badly interfered with and also that I have had practically no time for the proposed book, Makers of Freedom. I have another trip booked through the South beginning April 26th and ending in Kansas City May 12th. It seemed to all of us here that it was imperative that I devote the time to these trips and I have felt abundantly repaid for the time spent. I do hope, however, that it will not be necessary for me to neglect my program of study and writing next year.

I am not sure that you have heard that Bishop Williams was stricken with apoplexy and died very suddenly two or three weeks ago. I had a letter from him written just two or three days before his death, at which time he was in normal health.

There are a number of other matters that I shall write you about within a day or two. We rejoice in the great campaigns that you are having.

Affectionately yours,



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March 16, 1923

Mr. Kirby Page  
347 Madison Avenue  
New York City

Dear Mr. Page:

For your information I am writing you this note about the details of our arrangement. You are to speak before the Men's Community Club of Bogota, New Jersey, in the Community House at the back of the Church, Monday evening, March 19. The program begins at 8:30 and consists usually of movies first, the speaker following about 9 o'clock, and wrestling matches or some other feature later, with coffee and doughnuts. The speaker may have from 35 to 45 minutes for his address, and if you wish to answer questions, there will probably be discussion afterward.

and professional

The members are mostly businessmen, with little direct contact with industrial questions. There has been no other program on this topic this year. If I may suggest, I should think that a rather general talk on "The Present Industrial Situation in America," would be appropriate, giving opportunity to discuss briefly current conditions and tendencies in wage rates, strikes and lockouts, unionism, arbitration, working conditions, industrial relationships, etc. The men are about as liberal-conservative as the average commuter, and would be interested, I think, in such a presentation as I have outlined. Please understand, however, that you have perfect liberty in the choice of subject and treatment. These are only suggestions.

Before Monday, some member of the committee will probably get in touch with you by phone at Hasbrouck Heights, and arrange for automobile transportation for you to the church and back. We are anxious to do all we can to conserve your time and strength, and ~~like~~ appreciate deeply your willingness to come under the present circumstances.

Faithfully yours,

*Kenneth M. Gould*  
Kenneth M. Gould

P.S. You will probably have a crowd  
of about 150 men -  
KMG.



March 22, 1923.

Dear Sid.,

Have you seen the enclosed bulletin? It looks to me as if Professor Ward has made a remarkable summary and that it will do a great deal of good. I congratulate you upon it.

My Western trip went off in great shape. The Fellowship conferences were very successful. I visited my old college Drake, for the first time in six years. The State Ministerial Association Conference was in session and I had the privilege of giving eight addresses before a hundred preachers. I also had two addresses before groups at the University of Nebraska. During that week I made seventeen addresses. We had a great time in Denver. I am planning a Southern trip beginning at the end of April.

We are now selecting the personnel of the American Seminar for this summer. It looks as if we are going to have a very strong group. We are planning to sail on June 23rd on the Holland American Line SS Volendam. Sherwood is just now coming into Egypt and will spend the next three or four months in the Near East and Europe. He is trying to get into Russia. I expect to spend July and August in England and on the continent.

I am very eager to know what your plans are for the future. When do you come this way again? I earnestly hope that you have fully recovered your health.

I presume that you will be sending in a check to Mr. Eddy shortly. Our bank account is now pretty badly shot. I understand that your father has also agreed to continue his pledge for this year.

We are all keeping well. The kiddies are about as lively as ever. Altogether we are enjoying life immensely.

Affectionately yours,

Sidney D. Gamble, Esq.  
4 Westmoreland Place  
Pasadena, California

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March 23, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Ave.,  
Hasbrook Heights, N.J.

Dear Mr. Page:

We very much appreciate your kind co-operation in agreeing to speak for us over the radio on the evening of April 12th.

Will you please advise me at your earliest convenience as to your exact subject. It is necessary that we give this information to the Bamberger operators in order that they may put it in their program which is given to the newspaper. It is usual also to give them some information about the speaker, such as his business relations etc.,

The enclosed memorandum will give you full directions for reaching the Newark station from New York. I would suggest the Hudson & Manhattan Tubes to Park Place Station, Newark. It is an easy ten minutes walk across the Park to Bamberger's Store. If you are pressed for time, I would suggest that you take a taxi from the station to the store.

I am sure that you will enjoy this novel experience of talking to an audience which is estimated at about one million listeners scattered all over the United States. The Bamberger Station has been heard in Cuba, on the Pacific Coast, in Canada and in England. One of the recent speakers on our program, has received letters from auditors in Savannah, Ga. Knoxville, Tenn; Wichita, Kan; Lynn Creek, Mo; Nova Scotia



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and travellers on ships at sea. One cannot help but be  
thrilled and inspired at the educational possibilities  
of these radio talks and I am sure you will provide much  
of interest and inspiration for your huge audience.

Yours very truly,

*Chester E. Taylor*  
Industrial Secretary.

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March 23, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page  
311 Division Ave.  
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My dear Mr. Page:

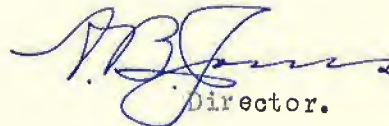
Are your plans for the summer such that you can be with us for one or two addresses some time during our big Bible Conference which will be held July 22nd to August 5th, inclusive? It now looks as though Friday night, July 27th and Saturday morning, July 28th will be open. I should like very much to have your message presented at those two hours.

The enclosures will give you some idea of the nature and extent of the work we undertake.

Our faculty this year includes Dr. John A. Hutton of Glasgow; Reverend Lionel B. Fletcher of Cardiff; Doctor Wm. C. Poole of London; Bishop Francis J. McConnell; and probably Reverend Charles W. Gilkey of Chicago, and Doctor John Line of New Brunswick.

If you can consider this invitation, please indicate the honorarium you will expect.

Very cordially yours,

  
Director.

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enc.



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March 24, 1923.

Dear Alma:-

And how goes everyone in the far north, Hope you are all well and that you are seeing some spring weather by now.

I hear once in a while in various places that you are still on the map, but would like a personal letter some of these days, to be real sure of it. <sup>Hi-Hi</sup>  
All well and happy here, lots of work and keeps us on the move - Business good & getting better.

We like our little home better all the time, sure wish you could see it. Notes, Notes, that is about all we know now - Looks as if there is one to meet each week - We have about 1,000<sup>00</sup> equity in the place now & still at it.

Sure would love to see the kiddies, and of course you as well my dear. Will you come along with the Hon. Mr. Page or is he leaving you at home.

Tell us all the news & how much you still love me - Or do you? Mother will be down for a visit in May - Wish we could all get together.  
More Later - Love & Regards to all, The Same;  
P. L.

P.S. Edith looking better see the time & sweeten each day - By - By

Dear Kirby -

I want to write to tell you how proud I am of you and the work you are doing. I read your article in the "Atlantic" - Ethel May Taylor told me some of your successes and Mr. E. T. Devine a former Professor of some college said that he was at present serving on a committee of which you are secretary. He has a sister living here whom he has been visiting and I chanced to talk to him for quite a while.

We are back in Albion for this year. One of our teachers is a Kappa Lambda who graduated from Drake last year. He surely is a prince, even tho he conspires with my husband in making life miserable for me. You see he rooms at the same place we do. Maybe you've seen him. Amos Lee is his name. Another disadvantage of having him around is that he knows my frivolous past. Lucky for me that my husband is not even a tiny speck jealous - no matter what I do, I can't make him so.

We were in Des Moines most of the summer, I taking piano and expression and Norman working for the Iowa National Bank. We have all kinds of expectations and



aspirations that may mature and may not, but  
meanwhile we are happy. I wish you knew him  
Kirby - Don't you  dare  ever come as far as Des  
Maines without seeing us.

When you aren't too busy write us a  
note - lecture me - "jaw" me like you used to -  
I don't care.

Of course this <sup>letter</sup> is meant for Alma  
too, even tho it is all directed at you.

Sincerely yours  
Helen Jarvis Barnes

Albion Iowa  
September 27th -

Box 161

You will recall that in the early days of the Commission, I was not qualified and that I had felt my work to be of a different nature. I had now developed that the Commission is primarily that of directing a campaign of education with miscellaneous groups of rank and file people throughout the country. For this task I have no qualifications. Moreover, I feel impelled to concentrate upon a program of study and writing. By study I do not refer to library work exclusively. I mean much more than this.

Dear Ned:

You will recall that on a number of occasions I have raised a serious question as to whether I should not resign as secretary of the Commission on Christianity and Industry. After the discussion of last evening, I feel quite certain that I am not the person to act in this capacity. I am therefore led herewith to tender my resignation as secretary of the Commission.

I do this not because I am out of sympathy with developments in the work of the Commission, but because I am not qualified to do the sort of thing that is now required of the secretary. I had assumed that there is a distinct difference between the function of the officers of the Commission and that of the officers of the Conference. In the statement issued some months ago it was pointed out that "Two types of inquiry will be pursued. First, an effort will be made to cooperate with existing religious agencies in stimulating group-inquiry in local centers all over the country. Second, special commissions will make an intensive study of the following subjects." I interpreted this to mean that the officers of the Conference would direct the first type of inquiry and that the officers of the Commission would direct the intensive study. I did not regard this separation of function as absolute and had expected to receive valuable cooperation from the executive officers in directing the intensive study. I had not expected, however, to be called upon to devote any considerable time to the first line of inquiry. In the beginning I conceived the task of the secretary to be primarily that of intensive study with possibly some writing. It has now developed that the duty of the secretary of the Commission is primarily that of directing a campaign of education with miscellaneous groups of rank and file people throughout the country. For this task I have no qualifications. Moreover, I feel impelled to concentrate upon a program of study and writing. By study I do not refer to library work exclusively. I mean much more than this.



You will recall that in the early days, in a moment of madness, the Executive Committee tried to induce me to accept the Executive Secretaryship of the Conference. I declined on the ground that I was not qualified and that I felt my work to be of a different nature. It has now developed that the work of the Secretary of the Commission is quite similar to the sort of thing that I declined some months ago.

Dear Ned:

I am in entire sympathy with the effort to promote study and discussion among miscellaneous groups throughout the country, only I do not feel that directing such a campaign is my work in life. I see no alternative, therefore, except to make way for some one who is qualified and who feels led to do this exceedingly important work.

This decision does not mean that I intend to devote less time to the work of the Commission but rather that I think it better to concentrate upon some phase of study.

Let me again express my great personal joy at having you and Miss McAlloch at the helm.

Cordially yours,

E. C. Carter, Esq.,  
Executive Secretary,  
National Conference on the  
Christian Way of Life,  
129 East 52nd Street,  
New York City

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March 26, 1923.

Dear Art, Fred, et al,

Art's letter of February 5th and Fred's letter of January 27th came about the same time and were read with much eagerness. We are delighted to know that things are coming along so well.

During the last weeks I have seen quite a number of our old friends. While in Chicago I had a good visit with Sam and Beulah, Leland and Grace, Bill and Beatrice, Slaughter, Enola Eno. Leland and Grace are going out to Egypt this fall. Bill and Beatrice are going out to the University of Nanking either this fall or next fall. Both Leland and Bill are expecting to get their Ph.D soon. Sam also expects to take his Ph.D this spring.

Recently I spent four days in Des Moines and met scores of old friends. There have been remarkably few changes on the faculty. Most of the old guard are still there. I had delightful visits with them, you may be sure. The State Ministerial Association was having its annual meeting and I had the privilege of giving eight addresses before a hundred preachers. Among the old friends I saw were Munyon, Gardner, Kinsell, McKim, Williamson, Bruner, Sweet, Nicholson, Jordan, Sherlock, Hornaby and a host of others. The woods are full of babies out there.

My work goes well and I am enjoying it immensely. I expect to spend this summer with Sherwood Eddy in Europe.

All of us are well and enjoying life. Send us a line occasionally. We want to keep in intimate touch with you.

Cordially yours,

Arthur Elliott, Esq.  
Fred Hughes, Esq.  
Colegio Internacional  
Casilla De Correo 241  
Asuncion, Paraguay



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JESSE COBB CALDWELL  
DEAN OF THE BIBLE COLLEGE

March 26, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Avenue,  
Hastbrouck Heights, N. J.

Dear Brother Page:

Ever since you were here I have expected to write you a word of appreciation for the splendid service you rendered in making our Ministerial Association a success this year. I have heard no word of adverse criticism in any respect, but on the contrary very many have expressed themselves to the effect that it was the most effective presentation we have had in any lectureship or meeting of the Association. Even a group of your old faculty friends who were a little skeptical when I suggested your coming here were the most enthusiastic in their appreciation of the work you did. Every preacher with whom I talked stated that it was by far the most successful meeting we have had and the credit all belongs to you for making it so.

As I stated above, I would have written you much earlier but I was anxious before doing so to learn something of the returns in the way of at least some financial expression of our appreciation for your splendid service. This has just come in the morning mail, due to the fact that Brother Lemon, the secretary who had the matter in charge, was very ill with the flu for some weeks following the meeting.

I think I told you how I regretted the inability to be with you more while you were here but as you know Mrs. Caldwell was seriously ill at the time. In fact I hardly knew as I went home from meeting to meeting whether I would find her there at all. I tried to say little of this at the time for I wanted no depressing influence to come into the gathering but my own spirit was so crushed during the time that I was hardly myself. She rapidly improved the following week and I thought was about to be well again when she too came down with the flu and is now quite ill, I think not seriously.

I am enclosing a small check for thirty-two dollars which our students raised without any effort or pressure as a small token of their appreciation and which you may use for your work or yourself as you please.

Mr. Finch told me that the books left were to be put in the library and I have had that done. We want to thank you for that also as a manifestation of your interest in your old institution. You were certainly most wonderfully gracious and helpful in it all and I trust some day we may show our gratitude in some more substantial way.

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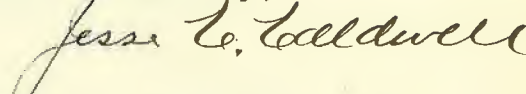
JESSE COBB CALDWELL  
DEAN OF THE BIBLE COLLEGE

Page 2. Mr. Kirby Page

There is one way at least in which we can show our confidence and abiding faith in you and I think we will just sidestep for the moment here and express it. You probably realize that we have been struggling toward the building of a real theological seminary of first class standing and we believe we are really on the way. One hundred ninety thousand dollars has been accumulated for the endowment of the College of the Bible alone and the yearly gifts from the churches have been brought up to about six thousand dollars per year. Our first aim is to have at least six men in the Bible College faculty with the following chairs: Old Testament, New Testament, Christian Doctrine, History of Religions (which are the four we have), Religious Education and Applied Christianity. For this last chair, we have had you in mind continually. Just how quickly we may get to it, I do not know for that will depend upon securing the resources, but we would be glad to know if you would be interested in such a proposition. Of course we would want you to go ahead with your graduate work as you have been doing at odd times in the past. Since there is really no theological seminary in the state of Iowa and since this is so well located for our own people, we believe that a great center of religious influence can be built up in this situation and we should like very much to have you help us do it. I know of no other way of expressing my own confidence and appreciation of you quite so well and would appreciate very much any intimations on your part that we are not hoping and working in vain in this one particular.

With every good wish for you and your work, I am

Yours sincerely,



Jesse C. Caldwell, Dean,  
College of the Bible.

JCC:RW

enc.



YALE UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION  
DWIGHT HALL

NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

March 26, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Avenue,  
Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.

Dear Kirby:

I am very glad, indeed, to enclose a check for six dollars, covering your expenses to New Haven. I wish I could tell you how many splendid come-backs we have had from your presentation that night. One of the Divinity School professors who had to leave early, was heard to observe that he was very glad for the excuse, because you had knocked every prop that he had out from under him. We have had two new members join the Fellowship since then, influenced in a large measure, I believe, by the case you put up.

I was glad to learn of the success of the F.C.S.O. Conferences. I noticed from the Denver paper which I see quite regularly, that the one out there seemed to go off with a good deal of eclat.

I am not sure whether your Secretary has received payment for the copies of the Sword or the Cross which we got for the party. The bill for those should go to the Rev. Robert Johnson, 44 Church Street, West-haven, Conn., and he will send a check covering the cost.

Again, I want to thank you for the service which you rendered and express the hope that you may be able to come up again during the Spring.

As ever,

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March 27th, 1923.

My dear Mr. Eddy:

I am now in a position to report on the progress with reference to the securing of Industrial men for China. After a long delay, I have been able to get in touch with Professor Ward. Both of us have been out of town and today was the first opportunity. He cannot get away until next year. He would like to plan definitely to go to the Orient in the late summer of 1924 for a full year in China, Japan and India. He has secured leave of absence from the Seminary and definitely plans to make this trip. He wants to talk with you about the auspices under which he should go. He feels that it would be better if he could go under the same auspices as Dewey and Bertrand Russell. He plans to take Mrs. Ward along. The Seminary continues his salary so that only his and Mrs. Ward's travelling expenses will need to be provided.

Herschleb, Childs and I had a meeting the other day to discuss the general situation. I have had two talks with Jenkins. Jenkins is of the opinion that the situation in China is not clear enough to justify any action at this end now with regard to securing a National Industrial Secretary. He says that he has not yet been convinced that the Chinese National Council has a definite policy in mind. He is very eager to have a long talk with you about the whole situation. He is somewhat in doubt as to whether the Y.M.C.A. should attempt the necessary research in industrial questions. He is rather of the opinion that it would be better to have this research work done independently by one of the Foundations or in some other way. He is not quite clear about it and for that reason is hesitant about embarking upon a definite program. Then, too, the financial situation is desperate. He says they dare not add a new man to the budget just now. The only possible way out would be to substitute a National Industrial Secretary for someone now on the field. I think you will realize that I am not in a position to press this matter with Mr. Jenkins. I think I should add that he impressed me as being most desirous of doing the best thing. He said in so many words that he had



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Mr. Mamley was just in the office and seemed to be under the impression that you were planning to give a block of time in the fall to financial solicitation for the Foreign Department. I told him that my impression was that you were planning to devote most of your time to college campaigns. He says that he has written to you direct about the matter.

You will be interested to know that many opportunities to speak before YMCA audiences are being presented to me. Mr. Coburn the State Secretary of New Jersey has been after me for a number of different Associations. Mr. Pearsall, the State Secretary of



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New York was in the office yesterday and expressed great enthusiasm for the things I am doing. I am speaking at the Men's meeting at the Brooklyn Central on Sunday afternoons, April 15th and 22nd. I am scheduled to speak at the Newark Broadcast, W.O.R. on April 12th. This is one of the high power stations carrying as far as England and California and they estimate their listeners at approximately one million. I am looking forward to this unique experience. Two or three weeks ago I was up at Yale for a meeting in Dwight Hall. I think I never had a more profitable time in my life. On Thursday I am going down to Philadelphia for an address before one of the annual gatherings of the Friends.

I am having a financial statement prepared and will write you in detail within a day or two.

I hope all is going well with you and the other members of the party.

Affectionately yours,

Sherwood Eddy, Esq.  
c/o Brown, Shipley and Co.  
123 Pall Mall  
London, England

March 27th, 1923.

Dear Ben:

Today is the first opportunity that I have had to talk with Dave about your going overseas with us this summer. He rather feels that it is more important to have you attend the Secretaries' Conference from June 29 - July 15. He says that he is quite willing to leave the decision to you, however. He also said that he thought there would be no trouble about letting you have six weeks vacation on full pay.

Before you decide whether or not you are to go overseas, it seems to me that a prior decision is necessary, i.e., whether or not you are going to continue with the Student Department, or whether you feel called to get into some other line of work where you will have more time and freedom for presenting your message. I should like to urge that you seriously consider the question about which you and I talked, namely, that you get free to devote your entire time and efforts to the kind of work we are trying to do through the F.C.S.O. I wrote to Sherwood shortly after my return but have not had time to receive a reply. I feel quite certain, however, that in one of two or three ways we can provide your budget.

If you do feel led to take up this new type of work, then I should like to express the strong opinion that you ought to come overseas with us. This fresh touch with the International and industrial problem over there would greatly strengthen your message for the coming year. Sherwood will be glad to help with your expenses up to \$200.

I shall pray that you may be given guidance at this time.

Cordially yours,

W. M. Cherrington, Esq.



March 27th, 1923.

My dear Mr. Jones:

Your letter of March 23rd is at hand. I am indeed sorry that it will not be possible for me to accept your kind invitation since I expect to spend July and August in Europe. Another year I hope it may be possible for me to be with you.

Cordially yours,

Arthur B. Jones, Esq.  
The Lakeside Association  
14 West Winter Street  
Delaware, Ohio

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Mr. Kirby Page,  
347 Madison Avenue,  
Room 907, N.Y. City.

My dear Mr. Page:

Yours of yesterday just at hand. I enclose report asked for on CHRISTIANITY AND INDUSTRY SERIES. Nearly 100,000 copies have been printed,-- a nice record. We shall be pleased to know what additional quantities you need.

Sincerely,

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P.S. I am sending you a copy of our new religious catalogue. Note the Spring books on pages 67 to 90.

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March 27th, 1923.

My dear Mr. Taylor:

Your letter of March 23rd is at hand.  
I shall plan to be on hand at Newark at 6:30 on  
April 12th. You may announce me as follows:

"How Can We Abolish International And  
Industrial Strife?" by  
Kirby Page, Author of "The Sword or  
the Cross," "Christianity and Economic  
Problems," etc.

I am looking forward with eagerness  
to this experience.

Cordially yours,

Chester E. Taylor, Esq.  
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Orange, N. J.

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It seems to me that the best thing to do would be to have him as a non-salaried secretary of the W.C.S.O. He could be financed in one of two or three ways. Either his support could come out of your General Fund, or we could go to some one like Sidney Gamble or Mrs. Straight and ask them to provide his budget. His present salary is \$3000 a year.

Your letters of February 20th and 22nd are at hand. I have already cabled you both to India and Cairo to the effect that Mr. Lockhart has agreed to contribute the \$10,000 needed for the Christian College. He says that he can pay this some time after July. I sent a cable to India feeling sure you had left some word as to having this message forwarded to the right people. I sent another cable to Cairo because I was sure you would want to know about the decision yourself. I have already written to you about this matter. Under the circumstances I understand that you do not want me to forward the letters to Mr. Gamble and Mrs. Olcott. I am therefore filing these letters for future reference. I will be willing to help in whatever way seems best to provide Ben's salary. I am taking up with Johnson the question of getting you before National Conventions and other significant church gatherings. I have already written you of my strong feeling that a considerable proportion of your time should be devoted to just this kind of gathering. I will write you further after I have talked with Johnson.

You will be interested in the enclosed note from Mr. Roe. I also enclose a summary of the number of copies of the Christianity and Industry series printed and sold to date.

I had a talk yesterday with Dave Porter about the possibility of Ben Cherrington going overseas with us this summer. Dave was not very keen to have him go. Indeed he feels very strongly that he ought not to go. In the course of the conversation I learned from Dave that he feels that Ben would be happier and perhaps more useful if he were in another line of work. Dave feels that the chief task of an International Student Secretary is to build up what he calls the "vehicle" through which Christian activities may be promoted on the campus. It seems that Ben is much more concerned about giving a message than he is about building up a machine. Dave rather feels that he ought, therefore, to get into some line of work where he will be free to concentrate upon giving a message. I did not think it wise to tell Dave that Ben had expressed an almost identical opinion to me when I was in Denver recently. Personally, I am strongly convinced that the sum total of Ben's influence would be greater if he were free to go in and out of the colleges as a free lance, giving his great message. The Student Associations would be eager to use him. He could also render a great service to local groups of the Fellowship for a Christian Social Order.

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I am strongly of the opinion that though I might be able to help for the time being, it is not a permanent solution. I have already written you of my plans to enable him to do his work, will you kindly write me further word "AGREE". I will understand that you mean that you will be willing to help in whatever way seems best to provide Ben's budget and will be glad to do so. I have already written you of my plans to enable him to do his work, will you kindly write me further word "AGREE". I will understand that you mean that you will be willing to help in whatever way seems best to provide Ben's budget and will be glad to do so.

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S. D. GAMBLE  
4 WESTMORELAND PLACE  
PASADENA, CAL.

March 30, 1923

Mr. Kirby Page  
311 Division Avenue  
Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

Dear Kirby:-

Thank you for the copy of the "Social Survey Bulletin." It certainly gave us a fine review and I hope that it will stimulate interest in the possible social program for the Orient. I am interested to hear from Bromley that he had met Miss Chapelle while he was east for one of the Methodist conferences. He said that she had spoken to him about making the summary of Pekin, and remarked that Mr. Gamble certainly knew how to write a book, for he had his introduction and conclusion in the first chapter and all she had to do was to make excerpts therefrom, and to be given credit for a very good book review.

I am glad to know that your Western trip went off so well. You certainly must have had a "busy life" with seventeen addresses in one week. I trust you survived, but I didn't realize that you had gone so far along the road in keeping up with the "Big Chief."

To hear that the American Seminar is being organized for this next summer makes me wish that I were going to be able to jump to Europe, but it looks as though I would be in this country this summer, certainly if any plans develop for the Orient for the Fall. I surely envy you the chance to get over to get in touch with things there again, though I rather imagine you will find them in rather a disturbed state. I had the pleasure of showing Pasadena to one of the young fellows that we met at Toynbee, Kenneth Lindsay, who is in this country making a study of the Workers' Educational Movement for the Workers' Educational Bureau in New York. He is under the wing of Mrs. Willard Straight, and I believe is living in her home when he is in New York. He tells me that J. J. Mallon is probably coming to America this summer.

Plans for the future are still uncertain, though it looks now as though I would probably be east in May, just to check up on my many friends in that part of the world. The doctor and I are still arguing and so no more definite plans can be made at this time, though I feel that I am making progress.

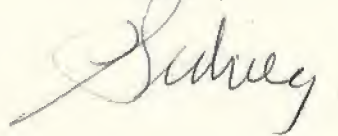
S. D. GAMBLE  
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Frank Vanderlip has been doing a good deal of talking in this part of the country, and I enjoyed hearing him give his impressions of European conditions. He was about as pessimistic as usual, but has come to the point where he is willing to say that America is a slacker nation and not doing her duty in Europe as she should, and that his thinking has finally led him to believe that the best way into the European muddle is by the League of Nations.

I inclose herewith check for \$300.00 to apply on my contribution to the Chief's work. Tax day, and other requirements for cans prevent it being larger this time.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,











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April 2, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Ave,  
Hasbrouch Heights, N J

Dear Kirby:

Many times since reading some of your books and phamplets, I have thought of writing you but just did not get at it. Mrs Maple and I rejoice in the progress you have made since we worked together in Houston in 1908. It seems a long time ago but years bring many changes.

I regretted so much that I did not see you again at the Cleveland Convention. I tried several times to find you but failed. We were still living in Florida then and have been here only two years. Our only child is a boy twelve years old and he is as tall as his mother. We like Macon fine as it is a splendid home town.

How much of a family have you? Do you spend all of your time writing, or are you in some other work and do writing on the side? Where is your brother Leak and what is he doing? If you possibly can find time, please write me a real newsy letter about yourself and your work.

I like the local secretaryship better than I did the state secretaryship in Florida, though I greatly enjoyed and profited by the experience of the latter. I hope that you will get down this way sometime and come to see us.

Congratulating you heartily on the splendid work you are doing toward the Christian solution of some of the world's problems, I am,

Yours cordially,

April 2, 1923.

My dear Sherwood:

Things have cleared up so that I am now in a position to begin serious work on Makers of Freedom. It has seemed wise to the Commission on Industry to delay publication of the book of selected readings, due to the fact that none of the other Commissions will be ready to publish anything for some months to come. It seems unwise to have this publication appear so far in advance of anything else. I am therefore putting it on the shelf for the time being. This will make it possible for me to proceed diligently with the other book.

I enclose herewith a rough outline of proposed chapters for your consideration and criticism. Several of the chapter headings can be greatly improved. You may also desire to suggest that we substitute other persons for some of those indicated, or that we add another chapter or two. I am quite sure that there is an abundance of material to make a thrilling chapter on each of the persons indicated.

I think we are agreed that we are not out to write chronological biographies but rather to select the dramatic incidents in the life of the person and use them as a means of proclaiming a message. I would suggest, therefore, that we divide each of the chapters roughly into four divisions:

1. Background  
What great obstacles did he encounter?
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What did he have to say?
3. Accomplishments  
What did he do?
4. Personal Characteristics  
What was he like?

Please let me have your comments and criticism on this outline



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It has occurred to me that we might suggest to C. C. Morrison that one page of each issue of the Christian Century be devoted to a biographical sketch. I think we would have little difficulty in keeping him supplied with highly interesting and most profitable material. I am not writing to him until I get some word from you about this.

You will be interested to know that I have just received an inquiry from the Dean of the College of the Bible of Drake University as to whether or not I would consider a call to be Professor of Applied Christianity in that institution. If I had a dozen lives to live, I should be eager to devote one of them to this fascinating work. I do not feel, however, that it is important as the thing I am now entering upon. When I was up at Yale a few weeks ago I had a long personal talk with Professor Latourette. He raised the question with me informally and unofficially, as to whether I would consider a call to the faculty of the Yale School of Religion. I told him that I felt pretty clearly that my work for the next few years was in another realm.



I am most eager to see you again and have many things to talk over with you.

Affectionately yours,

Sherwood Eddy, Esq.  
c/o Brown, Shipley and Co.  
123 Pall Mall  
London, W. C., England

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April 2, 1923.

My dear Dean Caldwell:

Your letter of March 26th is at hand. I have read it with great care and am deeply impressed by your kind words. It was a great joy to be with you and to have a share in your deliberations. Please express my sincere thanks to the students who had a share in the testimonial. I earnestly hope that Mrs. Caldwell has fully recovered her health by this time.

I am quite touched with the last paragraph in your letter in which you raise the question as to whether or not I would be attracted toward a call to come to the College of the Bible. I talked this over with my wife and both of us are tremendously impressed with the opportunity which would thus be afforded. We should find a great delight in living in Des Moines and having a share in the great work of the University. On the other hand, the opportunities which are opening up before me in this free lance work are quite wonderful. There are tremendous possibilities in the way of helping preachers and college students to become active in applying the principles of Jesus to social problems. It seems quite clear to me that I am now where I ought to be for the next few years. We are not trying at this time to map out our whole future. It is quite possible that within the next five or ten years I may feel called to get back into the Pastorate or into teaching. I cannot foretell the turn of events, but do feel that at the present time I am where God would have me.

I shall watch developments at Drake with intense interest. Please remember me kindly to old friends.

Cordially yours,

Dean J. C. Caldwell  
College of the Bible  
Drake University  
Des Moines, Iowa

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Mr. Kirby Page,  
347 Madison Ave.,  
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Kirby:

Your good letter has just reached me and I am in the midst of a financial campaign which allows no time for meditation, therefore, I shall not attempt to make a reply until there has been a chance to think it through and pray it through more carefully. You know, of course, what it means to me.

I am delighted to tell you that Dr. W.O. Mendenhall has just written me that he can go with the Eddy party to England this summer. Dr. Mendenhall is President of Friends University, Wichita. He is also the president of our Rocky Mountain Regional Faculty Conference. As you will assume from the name he is a Quaker. I regard him as one of the best among all our Western educators. In Wichita he is profoundly respected and loved. There are few men in the west whom I would more quickly recommend. I have told him that I would ask you to communicate with him and send suggestions regarding passports, time of departure, purchase of tickets etc. Hope you can find time to do this at once and welcome him into the fellowship of the group.

I can find no words to express my regard for Dr. Mendenhall better than to say that he is a princely man.

Cordially,

*Ben*

BC:GB







consider a call to the faculty of the Yale School of Religion. I am convinced, however, that this free lance combination of study, writing and speaking is the thing that I ought to do for the next few years. Innumerable doors are opening up before me. Nearly 100,000 copies of the Christianity and Industry series have been printed. The Sword or the Cross is selling better than ever. Christianity and Economic Problems is having a very wide sale and is being received most favorably. I am and I hope to be a busy man.

I have been giving something to the Fellowship of Friends for a Christian Social Order and believe that the idea is taking root all over the country. I am also giving some time to the Commission on Industry and Life. I enclose certain documents in which you may be interested.

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All of us are keeping well and we are very happy together. The kids are growing rapidly and it is difficult to restrain themselves. I am sending love to all of you.

Harold Gray, Esq.  
Boone College  
c/o American Church Mission  
Hankow, China.

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April 4, 1923.

Dear Ben:

Personal and Confidential

I had a long talk this morning with a friend who is intensely interested in the Fellowship. You do not know him and he does not know you but he is very keen on having someone devote his full time to the work of the Fellowship, and he assures me that he will be able to help in a financial way. His backing makes it certain that we can take care of your budget for next year if you feel led to enter this new work. I pass this on to you so that you may take it into account as you are reaching a decision. There is no question whatever but that your budget can be provided for. I am praying that you may receive guidance and am eager to know how you are thinking.

Affectionately yours,

B. M. Cherrington, Esq.  
Association Bldg.  
Denver, Colo.







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All of us are keeping well and we are very happy together. The kiddies are a great joy to us. Both of them are growing very rapidly now and find it difficult to restrain themselves. Alma joins in sending love to both of you.

Affectionately yours,  
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TELEPHONE - PLAZA 4700

April 5, 1923

Kirby Page, Esq.,  
Y. M. C. A.,  
347 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Kirby,

✓ The enclosed from Stewart Cole is self-explanatory. He is one of those who wrote in as a result of the "Christian Century" editorial. I wonder if you would return this letter to me with a draft of a statement which would convey your idea as to the essential distinction between the Conference on the Christian Way of Life and the Fellowship.

Sincerely yours,

*E.C.*

E. C. Carter

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Enc.



April 5, 1923.

My dear Sherwood:

You will be interested to know that the day before yesterday Harold Marshall came into the office and astounded me by asking if I needed any help in providing for my personal budget. He said that he had been unusually fortunate in his investments and is in a position to take care of part of my salary. I explained to him that you were taking care of my salary, and that as far as I knew this arrangement was to be continued indefinitely. I told him, however, that if he were willing to assume part of my salary, this might enable you to provide the salary of some person to give his full time to the Fellowship. I told him confidentially about the possibility of getting Cherrington. He was quite enthusiastic over the idea and said that he was willing to help financially toward this end. While he did not make a definite pledge, he said he thought we could count upon him for \$2000. during 1924. This ought to help out considerably in arranging for the budget of someone to carry the work of the Fellowship.

In case Cherrington feels that he ought to remain in his present work, I feel sure that we ought to look about for someone to give full time to the Fellowship. I hope you will write me fully about your own feelings in this matter. If I carry the work of the Fellowship another year, it will seriously interfere with the writing that I feel I ought to do. Personally, I feel that it is imperative that we get someone to carry this Fellowship work.

I am pounding away on biographical reading and am finding it highly profitable.

We received the thirteen articles from India and I am sending them out to various papers. I am sure that they will be widely read.

Affectionately yours,

Sherwood Eddy, Esq.  
London, England

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JOSEPH HILLMAN HOLLISTER, MINISTER  
127 FRANKLIN AVENUE

5 April 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
347 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Page:

Confirming the appointment made by Mr. Pearsall a few days ago, let me say that we are expecting you to dine with us at the First Presbyterian Church on Monday evening, April 16th, at 6.30 o'clock and after the dinner to speak on any topic you choose. I would appreciate very much if you would give us your opinion as to the part that the church can play in the betterment of the world conditions and economic conditions, etc. Those present will be ministers and laymen representing all the Presbyterian Churches of Westchester County, - perhaps a hundred in all.

I do not recall the topic Mr. Pearsall gave me that you had given him but I liked it very much with the possible addition of the church part I spoke of. It will be a great pleasure to have you with us and we are anticipating it immensely.

Very truly yours,

*J. H. Hollister*  
P.

JHH/P



April 6, 1923.

My dear Maple:

I was simply delighted to get your letter of April 2nd. I have seen your name in print every now and then during the last few years. I am glad that things are going so well with you and that you are enjoying your work so keenly.

A lot of things have happened since you and I worked together in Houston. I graduated from Drake in 1915 and then went to the University of Chicago for graduate work. After I had been there a little less than a year, I left in order to become Sherwood Eddy's private secretary. For two and a half years I travelled with him in Europe and Asia. I was then pastor of a Church in Brooklyn for three years. During the last two years I have worked as a free lance. Sherwood Eddy is paying my salary and making it possible for me to devote all of my time to a combination of study, writing and speaking along the line of applying the principles of Jesus to social problems. I am having an exceedingly profitable time and do not know of anything that I would rather do than to follow the general line indicated.

We are living in a little town across the river from New York. Kirby, Jr. is past seven and Mary is five. They are a great joy to Alma and myself. We are enjoying life to the full. I hope that I may run across you some of these days.

Cordially yours,

O. E. Maple, Esq.  
YMCA  
Macon, Georgia.

April 6, 1923.

Dear Sid.,

It was good to get your long letter of March 30th. I am very much interested in what you have to say. I hope you get the better of the argument with the doctor. Why don't you tell him where to head in?

I am glad that you ran across Kenneth Lindsay. I met him one evening some weeks ago at Mrs. Straight's home. Mallon is definitely planning to come over in the fall. How I wish that you could go with us to England again. I am looking forward with much eagerness to seeing the chief after this long absence. In the mail a day or two ago we received thirteen articles on India. How he does it all is a constant source of wonder to me. I'll bet Waldo has his tongue hanging out half the time.

All goes well at this end. I am working away on the new book which Sherwood and I expect to publish jointly. I enclose a rough outline and will be glad to get your criticism.

Many thanks for your check for \$300. This will help to keep the wolf from the door.

Alma joins me in sending best wishes.

Affectionately yours,

Sidney D. Gamble, Esq.  
4 Westmoreland Place  
Pasadena, California



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HOUSTON, TEXAS April 6, 1923.

Mr. E. C. Carter, Executive Secretary,  
129 East 52nd Street,  
New York City.

My dear Ned Carter:-

I appreciate very greatly your letter of March 29th asking me to serve as a member of the National Committee of the Conference on the Christian Way of Life.

I have read with much interest the Progress Report and Dr. Brown's Abstract with their statements of purposes and outline of the functions of the National Committee. I feel that I can fully endorse these purposes and functions as set out in these papers, with the understanding that the National Committee does not stand responsible for the work or findings of the several Commissions; so I shall be glad to serve as a member of this Committee and to do what I can to promote the study and discussion of these vital questions. I enclose a more formal acceptance addressed to you and Miss McCullough.

I am so glad that the organization which has brought you back to America is one whose purposes I can unreservedly endorse. I had to decline membership on the National Committee of Sherwood Eddy's Fellowship for a Christian Social Order; and I must acknowledge that when I found Kirby Page's name in the third paragraph of your Progress Report, my suspicions were immediately aroused.

When I discuss these questions of relationships - international, race and industrial - with some of my business friends, I feel that I am very much of a progressive. And when I sit down and talk over these things with Sherwood, I find myself in entire accord with him. But when I try to follow Kirby Page, I conclude that I am a hopeless ~~radical~~ <sup>conservative</sup>. So I am glad that the members of your National Committee do not have to stand sponsor for the findings of a Commission of which

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Kirby is the Secretary.

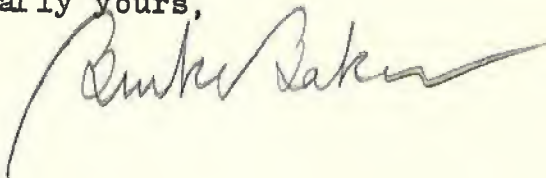
Mrs. Masterson, Mr. Clingman, Mr. Paige and I are to get together next Monday to lay plans for a group in Houston.

It is good to know that you are back in America again, and I am looking forward to seeing you before long. I hope that you are planning to visit some of the Student Conferences next Summer, or to attend the National Assembly of Student Secretaries to be held in Estes Park in July. I expect to be at the Hollister Student Conference, June 9th to 18th, and then to attend the Student Secretaries' Assembly. It would be mighty good to find you at one or the other.

I expect to be in Washington this month to attend the meeting of the Committee of Thirty-Three, but I doubt if I shall get up to New York.

Cordially yours,

Encl.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Burke Baker", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.



April 6, 1923.

Dear Ned:

✓ It seems to me that there are very distinct differences in function between the National Conference on the Christian Way of Life and the Fellowship for a Christian Social Order. I was in at the birth of both of these movements and have felt all along that they should not be merged.

The National Conference on the Christian Way of Life, as I understand it, is an effort to enlist the cooperation of all agencies working in the realm of the application of the principles of Jesus to social problems in a nation-wide campaign to stimulate the study of industrial, international and racial problems. In the second place, the National Conference, through four Commissions, is planning to publish study outlines and to issue printed reports setting forth the major issues in the respective fields, with constructive suggestions as to solutions. The National Conference is a temporary movement and passes out of existence when the national assembly is held.

The Fellowship for a Christian Social Order "binds together for mutual counsel, inspiration and co-operation, men and women who are seeking to effect fundamental changes in the spirit and structure of the present social order through loyalty to Jesus' way of life." Its function is limited to fellowship in thought and prayer. In its own name it does not conduct a program of activities. Decisions reached in fellowship groups are carried out through other channels. The Fellowship is simply the "inner circle" or "retreat" idea applied to the consideration of social problems. The Fellowship has a more limited field and simply brings together interested persons for an exchange of ideas and experiences. The National Conference is more inclusive and is able to enlist many persons who are not sure that "fundamental changes in the spirit and structure of the present social order" are needed. I have a profound conviction that both of these movements are needed. They are not antagonistic but supplement each other.

Cordially yours,

E. C. Carter, Esq.  
129 East 52nd Street  
New York City

*K. P.*

S. D. GAMBLE  
4 WESTMORELAND PLACE  
PASADENA, CAL.

April 7, 1923

Mr. Kirby Page  
311 Division Avenue  
Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

Dear Kirby :

Thank you for your note of April 6th, giving the latest news from New York, and inclosing the outline of the book that you and Sherwood are working on. It certainly looks as though it ought to be very stimulating and interesting. One of my friends, in glancing over this outline, remarked that "of course the freedom yet to be achieved were included in part in those mentioned in the other chapters, especially those in sociological injustice and economic servitude." It might be well to keep that idea in mind.

I am off for San Francisco for a wedding party next week. I am looking forward to a very gay and interesting time. I expect to drive up and back. About the middle of May I expect to tell the doctorate head in, and start for the east.

I am having a real China reunion, as Dr. and Mrs. Fitch of Hangchow College are visiting us this week.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Sidney D. Gamble*  
Per R.N.



*The International Committee of  
Young Men's Christian Associations  
347 Madison Avenue, New York.*

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April 9th, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Street,  
Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

Dear Kirby:

✓ Thanks very much for your re-  
minder of the 5th. If you can send us 1,000  
copies of the pamphlet we can make good use  
of it in connection with the Lake Geneva  
Conference and otherwise.

✓ Great work you are doing, Kirby -  
keep it up. You have to give the opponents  
of this cause no quarter whatever.

Loyally yours,

AJE\*EES.

*J. Elliott*

*Sent*

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April 12, 1923

Hello Kirby:-

Glad to know you called up the other day and sorry I was not in but the Mrs. told me what a nice little chat she had with you. I hope we can take advantage of your invitation to come out to Hasbrouck Heights in the near future. I would love to get out in the country for a day and have a visit with you folks. I know you could tell me a lot of interesting things about Des Moines.

We had a very good meeting this Easter even tho the preaching was way below par compared to what it was the two previous Easters. The attendance tho was better tho, due to a little scheme of advertizing and observing special nights for Boys, Girls, Women and Men. Also had pictures one night and stereopticon slides another night. The thing that pleased me so much was the number of new people who attended the services.

Glad to know things are going so fine with all of you. I guess the children have grown considerable the past year. We send our best wishes to all four of you.

Cordially,

Couch



April 12, 1923.

Dear Ben:

Upon my return to the city this morning, I find your letter of April 4th. The Cleveland Conference was a very great success. One hundred delegates were registered. The Conference was held at Lake Erie College about twenty miles out of the city. The majority of the delegates were laymen, including several important business men and several important labor leaders. The Detroit Conference was held at Ann Arbor, and while it was the smallest of the conferences, it was very vital. I am more than ever convinced of the need for this Fellowship.

In talking with various persons about the future of the Fellowship, there seems to be agreement that during the next year we should try to do three things:

1. To get Fellowship groups meeting regularly in as many local centers as possible.
2. To arrange week-end conferences in about fifty cities for the primary purpose of enlisting a much larger number of laymen.
3. To prepare for a National Fellowship Conference to be held during the Easter vacation in 1924.

Everywhere I go there is enthusiasm over the Fellowship idea. I am sure that none of us begin to realize the possibilities of this movement.

I am sending out letters to the members of the Executive Committee already elected, suggesting that the Executive Committee of the Fellowship meet in two sections - the Western representatives meeting at Chicago on Monday, May 14th and the Eastern representatives meeting in New York on Friday, May 18th. I think it is of very great importance that you plan to meet with the Committee in Chicago on the 14th if this is at all possible. Could you not adjust your program so as to be there?

I have been thinking constantly during the past few days about the possibilities open before

you if you feel led to become a free lance and give yourself to this kind of work. As I wrote you the other day, it is absolutely certain that we can take care of your budget. I think you and I agreed that if it does seem wise for you to do this, the best way would be to have your budget provided privately and have you serve as a non-salaried secretary of the F.C.S.O. This would place you in the same relation that I have been holding during the past year. Thousands of open doors in colleges and cities are waiting to be entered. My own personal feeling grows more intense that this free lance work offers you a maximum opportunity. I am praying earnestly that you may receive guidance.

I am sending President Mendenhall an invitation to join our party.

Affectionately yours,

B. M. Cherrington, Esq.  
YMCA - Association Building  
Denver, Colorado.



April 14, 1923.

Dear Sherwood:

The Cleveland Conference was the best one we have had thus far. It was held at Lake Erie College Painesville, Ohio, about twenty miles from Cleveland. One hundred persons were in attendance including an unusually large proportion of laymen. The program was of a very high order. Everyone went away enthusiastic over the idea. The Detroit Conference was held at Ann Arbor and was much smaller but was very vital. The Richmond and Kansas City Conferences are yet to be held. I am growing more and more enthusiastic over the Fellowship all the time. I am eager to get some word from you about Cherrington.

Your letter of March 20th came this morning. I am glad that things are going so well with you.

Mr. Tchou arrived yesterday morning. I think we have arranged a very profitable program for him. He was with us at the Cleveland Conference also. I shall certainly do my best to help him out.

Affectionately yours,

Sherwood Eddy, Esq.  
c/o Mr. D. A. Davis  
13 Avenue de Champel  
Geneva, Switzerland

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Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Ave.,  
Hasbrook Heights, N. J.

My dear Mr. Page:

Please accept our sincere thanks for  
your talk over the radio last Thursday evening.

A number of our staff listened in and  
all of us enjoyed the talk very much. I wish that the  
solution you proposed could be put into effect.

Very truly yours,



Chester E. Taylor,  
Industrial Secretary.

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H. E. LUCCOCK

150 5TH AVE. NEW YORK CITY

April 16, 1923

Mr. Kirby Page,  
311 Division Avenue,  
Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

Dear Mr. Page:

Many thanks for sending me your article on "How Can We Abolish Industrial and International Strife?" It is just the kind of thing I am anxious to furnish to our Church through our papers. I will be very glad to use it.

I may not be able to use it for three or four weeks but it will be used and I will send you a check for \$20.00 for it if that is satisfactory to you.

With many thanks,

Cordially yours,

*H. E. Luccock.*

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ATLANTA, GA.

April 19, 1923.

Mr. Kirby Page,  
#311 Division Avenue,  
Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Page:

I am afraid I will have to be away from Atlanta when you are here on May 1st. I am very sorry of this.

I am writing, however, in the interest of the Social Service Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of which Bishop James Cannon, Jr., is Chairman, which organization is charged with the responsibility of guiding this entire denomination in their efforts to find and adopt the Christian attitude on our industrial and economic questions. With this in view, they are calling together about two hundred of their important leaders for a week's quiet conference, July 1-8. They will consider only two or three of the most important social questions which confront us here in the South. July 5-6-7 will be devoted to the economic and industrial questions. On behalf of Bishop Cannon, I am writing to inquire whether it will be possible for you to spend these three days in conference with these leaders. Through them we have a chance to affect the entire denomination. It happens that the Methodist group is the most progressive in the South except the Episcopal, but the latter is feeble in numbers. Personally, I hope very much you can come.

Very sincerely,

*Will W. Alexander*

WWA/MM



April 19th, 1923.

My dear Mr. Maurer:

Your letter of April 17th is at hand. I note that you feel unable to make the trip with us this summer on account of the expense involved. If this is the only item that would prevent your going, I am inclined to believe that we might secure from interested friends \$500. toward the expenses of the trip. We are making such provision for two or three other members of the party. Will you please let me know whether or not you would be free to go if we were able to make such an arrangement?

We are very eager to have you as a member of the party for many reasons. A number of us have long felt that it is imperative that there be a closer contact between the liberals in the various church movements and the liberals in organized labor. You could be of very great assistance to the various members of the party. We are going to have some of the keenest churchmen in the country as members of the party, including Dean Scarlett of Christ Church Cathedral, St. Louis, Miles Krumbine, one of the leading pastors of Dayton, Reinhold Niebuhr, one of the strong pastors in Detroit, W. K. Anderson of Pittsburgh, who is a son of Bishop Anderson, B. F. Lamb, Secretary of the Ohio State Federation of Churches, Gilbert S. Cox, University M. E. Church in Columbus, etc. We are also to have as members of the party the famous Japanese labor leader, Kagawa, and Mr. M. T. Tchou, head of the Industrial Department of the Y.M.C.A. in China, as well as representatives from India, Czechoslovakia and the continent of Europe. We feel that your contact with this group would be most helpful.

Please let me know how you feel about the whole matter.

Cordially yours,

James H. Maurer, Esq.  
104 South Fourth Street  
Harrisburg, Pa.



Showchow, An.

April 18<sup>th</sup>.

Dear Old Kirby,

I was awfully glad to get your letter of Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>. You are one of the people I'm most counting on seeing when I get home next year. So I want you to keep me posted so I won't waste any time looking for you when I hit the East about Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1924.

Nothing could be much greater contrast to your life than ours just now. We are spending three weeks up here in this old interior walled city where we expect to move next year. The only other foreigner is a single lady who is in the girls' school at the other side of the city. We have a few rooms around a court in a very old Chinese house which we have fixed up for temporary use. It is Edith's first experience in such isolation. I've become quite used to it ~~too~~ as I've already been up there six times this year. Next year we will have a community of five adults and five children when Dr. Jack Dickson, now on furlough gets back with his family. This is just a camping trip during which I'm looking for a house for next fall, signing the contract on the new church and seeing how the life affects Edith. I look upon our being



here what Speer calls a "divine experiment." I'm not at all sure it's going to work but we are going to try it out to the full. We're learning lots, but we miss the stimulus of active, kindred, and hostile minds. Patty is enjoying it to the full. She loves the excitement of travel and is a universal passport to all hearts. She is the first foreign child who has ever been in this old city during its 3000 years of young life. We have our three servants with us and as our court is next our fine boys school with its well ordered staff we are faring very well. We gave a "feast" last night to all the teachers, evangelists and city Church members. 43 were invited and 34 sat down at the four tables. Entertaining is easy. You call in the caterer and tell him you want the \$3.00 feast and he does the rest. A "skittle board" entertained the whole crowd in a hilarious mood all evening. Has that game hit N.Y. yet? It came here via an English business man in Hanking. Edith is teaching some singing classes in the boys & girls schools and is off now at a woman's meeting. My mental activity is chiefly absorbed these days with trying to design a panelled ceiling for the new church and devise a contract which will keep the contractor from skinning us alive. I've done little solid reading this winter. Edith



enjoys novels and we've read quite a number, Hulseasons, "The Days of Poor Richard," "Mr. Prohack," "Penguins Progress" by Jamel but best of all the Biography of William. de Morgan, the potter and author. That is the kind of a book people in Christian work or any kind of intense work in which we think we are turning the world upside down, need to read once a year. The picture of a beautiful life lived intensely and for no worldly rewards but with quite a different passion at its heart than urges us. (no not that exactly, but finding expression through other channels.)

I've been doing considerable reading on these quiet river trips I've made this year. I've been re-reading the few of Dickens read years ago. "The Tale of Two Cities" was a revelation but I'm having labor with Pickwick Papers somehow. I read the vicar of Wakefield for the first time at one sitting and loved it. I had 24 hours on a little sail boat with no other companion so the dear old vicar became very real to me.

Have just finished Christopher Morley's "Where the Blue Begins." It's a rare little fantasy. I have Tostich's "Xmas Progress" and Thos. Hardy's "Return of the Native" still ahead of me for this trip. This life makes one appreciate his education.



I don't see how the business chaps I meet out here stick it. They seem caged in by the Sat. Evening Post and the "Shilling Shouter" type of cheap English novel. I'm certainly glad I took out of those impractical academic college courses. They put some mighty comfortable, old-fashioned furniture into the bare rooms of our minds that proves mighty ~~com~~ good to live with when you get out into the lonely old world and have to supply your own company and amusement.

We come home in June 1924. We will probably spend July and August in California with Edith's mother and come East for the winter for study or work somewhere. What I feel the need of is spiritual food and outlet. I haven't ~~ord~~ preached and have only given one talk to one station on Thanksgiving day. I haven't yet been able to arrange for my ordination out here as the foreign members of the ordination committee of the Presbytery into which our field falls has some hard shelled, heresy hunting Southern Presbyterians on it who would have a fit over me because I didn't believe God dropped the vowels into the words in the Hebrew text of the O. T. I don't want to handicap my work by beginning with a heresy trial. so I'm going to wait until I get home.



and now I fear made infamous by Chinese mis-  
rule since the transfer to Chinese administration.  
The reports are mighty discouraging of the general  
slump that has taken place since the transfer.

The Japs certainly have shown good faith in  
their Washington Conference commitments  
as regards Tsing Tao and Shantung. They are really  
out. Politics in China are getting more hopeless  
all the time and the apocalyptic mind is develop-  
ing among all class. They have the feeling that  
things won't get better until they are  
a lot worse, until Satan is unchained. It is  
interesting to see how the human mind inevitably  
turns to the idea of cataclysmic delivery when  
all outward circumstances seem hopeless.

There will probably be another factional war  
in the north again this spring and summer  
between Chang So-lin and the Wu Peifu camp.

There isn't one atom of principle in the whole  
business, just pure military adventuring  
for personal power. When Yuan Shi kai  
had German officers train his soldiers  
he sowed the seeds of modern militarism  
in China which has born terrible fruit.

As far as being effective armies in the western  
sense they are comic operas but they have  
enough technique of military organization got  
hold men together under military discipline.



I don't really know what I'll have to do to be ordained. I'm an anomaly. I have absolutely no ecclesiastical status at present and am not even a member or "under care" of any Presbytery but I'm out here as an evangelistic worker and will be doing everything except administer the communion as soon as language allows. I'm going to try to get straightened out while at home. On account of my family I want to be in N. Y. but I'd rather live and work somewhere else. I wish I could do some preaching while at home in a small church. When do you advise study now. I'm not crazy about Union. I admire its position. But freeze to death up there. I'm not going to spend much time going around speaking on "my work" while at.

I wish you could look out the big doors into the court and see Patty with a big bamboo pole missing around in the mud puddle in the corner. She's a picture. She certainly makes life a different thing for us. Edith is very well this winter and spring. We're going to Tsingtao, Shantung, this summer if we can rent our Beitaiho cottage. It's much nearer, cheaper and we have the chance to share a cottage with good friends from Tsinanfu. I've always wanted to see the place, made famous by German and Japanese rule.



I wish I could go to England with you this summer and share that top floor room in the old Thackeray. There wouldn't be any "humming birds" to send us to the basement at 1 A.M. in our bath gowns but we might heat up some other excitement. I wonder what has happened to some of that crowd, especially Jack Barker?

Good bye, old top. Give our love to Alma and the kiddies.

As ever,

Max



*agreed - Cherrington*

347 Madison Avenue  
New York City

April 20, 1923.

Dear Sherwood:

I have seen a good deal of Thomas Tchou during the last week. I think he has had a very profitable time here in New York. He was out at the house with us last evening. We greatly enjoyed the visit. He is going down to Danville, Virginia tonight and then will take a trip to New England.

I had a long talk with Barnett the other day and raised the question with him as to whether there is any possibility of his being available to become National Industrial Secretary of China. He said that David Yui is urging him to become National City Secretary. Barnett said that personally he would much prefer to concentrate upon the industrial question. He has not cared to say this to Yui or Brookman since he was not quite sure that they would feel that he was qualified to do the industrial job. Even if he accepts the City work, he will be able to give considerable attention to the Industrial work. It seems highly important, under all the circumstances, that he spend July with us at Toynbee Hall. I have written to Sid, raising the question as to whether or not he was in a position to make this possible. If he is not able to do this, I am going to ask Mrs. Straight if she can do it. In case she is not able to do it, I wonder whether or not you would care to have his expenses come out of the Eddy and Page account.

I have just had a letter from James H. Maurer, who is President of the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor. He is one of the most powerful and most liberal labor leaders in the country. He says that he cannot go on account of the expense. I have raised the question with him whether or not he could go if we could provide his expenses. I have not yet received his answer. In case he is able to go, I plan to ask Mrs. Straight if she can provide his expenses. In case she is not able to do it, I have a strong feeling that we ought to make a desperate effort to get his expenses. He would be a very great asset to the group and the intimate touch with our group of church leaders would be invaluable to him. I think an investment of \$500. in him would yield heavy dividends. I wonder if you would think it worth while to send me a cable about providing for the expenses of Barnett and Maurer in case I fail elsewhere. If you can send me a cable with the single word "Toynbee" I would know that you think it wise to have both Barnett and Maurer come even if the money has to come out of the Eddy and Page account. If you should cable me the word "Bring" I would know that means that you think Barnett ought to come but that you cannot assume responsibility for Maurer. If you cable me the word "Send", I will know that that means you think Maurer ought to come but you can assume no responsibility for Barnett.

We are going to have a very high grade party. Our difficulty just now is to keep it from getting too big. If we



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NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE CHRISTIAN WAY OF LIFE

Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee

April 20, 1923  
129 East 52nd Street, New York City  
5: p. m.

Present: Harold Hatch  
F. E. Johnson  
Dean Ladd  
John M. Moore  
Kirby Page  
D. A. Poling  
Mrs. Straight

Mr. Tchou of the National Christian  
Council of China was present as a  
guest.

Miss McCulloch )  
E. C. Carter ) Executive Secretaries

M. A. Mallory

The Minutes of the last meeting of the Executive Committee were approved with the correction of the omission of Dr. Brooks' name from the list of those present.

1. Regrets for Non-attendance.

Mr. Carter read letters from Dr. Mott and Dr. Cavert expressing regret at their inability to attend the meeting.

2. Report of Financial Position and Matters Pertaining to the Headquarters Staff.

Mr. Carter explained that an associate for field work had been contemplated from the beginning. Mr. L. W. Dunn was being considered. His qualifications were described. He would be offered a salary of from \$4500 to \$5000.

In response to questions from Dr. Moore and Mr. Hatch, Mr. Carter stated that the receipts to date were about \$7500 and that the expenditures to date amounted to about \$6000. There was a balance of about \$2000. It looked as though an expenditure of \$30,000 would see us through this year, and the Executive Secretaries desired the Committee's approval of incurring expenditures in connection with the whole venture in line with the policy of the Executive and the Commissions though this would mean a budget eventually greatly exceeding the original \$30,000. Mr. Carter explained that no commitment either under or beyond the original \$30,000 budget would be made until the necessary funds were in sight. He mentioned the temporary employment of Mr. Amacker for research work in connection with the International Relations Commission and the employment of Mrs. Dean for stenographic service in the office. The Executive accepted and approved Mr. Carter's statement.

Mr. Carter asked authority for the Executive Secretaries to approach for membership in the eventual permanent finance committee a few such people as Mrs. Straight, Mr. Morrow and Mr. Huggins. On motion of Dr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Hatch, this was approved.

3. Suggested Rephrasing of Name.

Following up a discussion concerning the name of the movement that had been carried on tentatively at two former meetings Mr. Carter presented a proof copy of letterhead which would help emphasize the idea of inquiry and study and at the same time carry the idea of the eventual conference on the Christian Way of Life. After some discussion Dr. Moore moved and Mr. Hatch seconded that the Executive Committee approve the title "The Inquiry" subject to the approval that the Executive Secretaries should secure from the other members of the Executive Committee by drawing up a statement of the issue and circulating it among the members of the Executive Committee. It was a vote.

4. Report of the Commission on the Social Function of the Church.

In the absence of Dr. Cavert, Miss McCulloch reported for this Commission. Miss McCulloch stated that in the early meetings of the Commission there had been ~~much~~ discussion as to what the fundamental assumption should be. Some of the group thought that they should assume the church and work out from that. On the other hand there seemed to be some half feeling on the part of some members that they might better get at some other approach to the subject than assume definitely the church and work from that point out. Miss McCulloch said that it seemed to be quite the consensus of feeling that there should be real research rather than theoretical threads of study. She stated that as the work went on some who previously had not been sure as to the relative importance of the various commissions were beginning to feel that the Commission on the Social Function of the Church was going to be one of the crucial points of the whole venture.

5. Report of the Commission on Industry.

Mr. Carter reported for the Industrial Commission. He stated that it had become apparent that the Commission was not getting on with its task for a variety of reasons partly due to divergence of opinion as to method and partly due to the inability of many members to attend the meetings. Furthermore Mr. Page had felt strongly that his connection with the Commission must be in the capacity of a research officer only and that he could not undertake responsibility for general administrative work including responsibility for widespread group study. Therefore, feeling that it might clarify the situation Mr. Page had presented his resignation as follows in a letter addressed to Mr. Carter:



"You will recall that on a number of occasions I have raised a serious question as to whether I should not resign as secretary of the Commission on Christianity and Industry. After the discussion last evening, I feel quite certain that I am not the person to act in this capacity. I am therefore led herewith to tender my resignation as secretary of the Commission.

"I do this not because I am out of sympathy with developments in the work of the Commission, but because I am not qualified to do the sort of thing that is now required of the secretary. I had assumed that there is a distinct difference between the function of the officers of the Commission and that of the officers of the Conference. In the statement issued some months ago it was pointed out that "Two types of inquiry will be pursued. First, an effort will be made to cooperate with existing religious agencies in stimulating group-inquiry in local centers all over the country. Second, special commissions will make an intensive study of the following subjects." I interpreted this to mean that the officers of the Conference would direct the first type of inquiry and that the officers of the Commission would direct the intensive study. I did not regard this separation of function as absolute and had expected to receive valuable cooperation from the executive officers in directing the intensive study. I had not expected, however, to be called upon to devote any considerable time to the first line of inquiry. In the beginning I conceived the task of the secretary to be primarily that of intensive study with possibly some writing. It has now developed that the duty of the secretary of the Commission is primarily that of directing a campaign of education with miscellaneous groups of rank and file people throughout the country. For this task I have no qualifications. Moreover, I feel impelled to concentrate upon a program of study and writing. By study, I do not refer to library work exclusively. I mean much more than this.

"I am in entire sympathy with the effort to promote study and discussion among miscellaneous groups throughout the country, only I do not feel that directing such a campaign is my work in life. I see no alternative, therefore, except to make way for some one who is qualified and who feels led to do this exceedingly important work.

"This decision does not mean that I intend to devote less time to the work of the Commission, but rather that I think it better to concentrate upon some phase of study."

After some discussion including an expression of gratitude from Mr. Carter for Mr. Page's efforts in promoting the entire venture from its early stages, it was suggested that Mr. Page's resignation be referred to the Industrial Commission before action be taken.

Mr. Carter then reported regarding the source book on industrial questions which Mr. Page had been compiling. The book was practically ready for the press when the question of the advisability of going on with it was raised because of the delays in making progress in the Commission itself and finally because the book had been conceived in the light of assisting the work of a considerable number of groups which had not yet been brought into existence; from that point of view the book might be premature. With this situation in mind, Mr. Page and Mr. Carter saw the publisher and explained the situation. He understood and the arrangements were cancelled. Regarding future use of the material collected for the book Mr. Carter stated that this question should be considered afresh by the Commission in its resurvey of the preliminary work and its plans for a future program.

6. Report of the Commission on Race Relations.

Miss McCulloch reported for the Commission on Race Relations that progress had been very slow due to the difficulty in selecting personnel and the secretary of the Commission, but that it was hoped that by fall some rather definite plans for the future would have been outlined.

7. Report of the Commission on International Relations.

Miss McCulloch reported for the Commission on International Relations that it was doing a two-fold task. It was trying to work out the limits of its study and research and at the same time in answer to a definite request was preparing a set of questionnaires for use through the summer conferences of students and for further elaboration with a view to use in the colleges in the fall as part of an educational program in preparation for the Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement. Thus the Commission had had to interesting experience of having found itself by the way it tackled a concrete proposal. Everyone agreed that the specific task would not represent the total realm of the Commission's inquiry but that it had brought out the major points in the whole discussion. The Commission had been meeting weekly, the documents resulting from the group discussion being circulated to the members of the group that they might work on them in preparation for the next meeting.

Mr. Tchou of the National Christian Council of China.

Mr. Tchou was introduced by Miss McCulloch, as having come to the States to find out what the church and its various agencies were doing in this country in relating the teachings of Jesus to the problems of industry. Mr. Tchou briefly outlined the formation of the National Christian Council of China and its aims in the industrial situation in which China finds herself.

Consideration of Professor Jerome Davis' Proposal Regarding a Deputation to Russia.

Mr. Carter presented a letter from Professor Jerome Davis of Dartmouth College, suggesting that the National Conference on the Christian Way of Life authorize a deputation of four or five men to visit Russia to study



the situation and report back to the Conference. The matter was discussed and the Executive Secretaries were authorized to report to Professor Davis that the Executive Committee did not consider that such action would be relevant to the purpose and method of the Conference as at present conceived.

10. Acceptances of Membership in the National Committee.

The following were reported as having accepted membership in the National Committee:

James E. Gregg, Principal  
Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute  
Hampton, Va.

Samuel A. Eliot,  
American Unitarian Association  
25 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

Carter G. Woodson,  
The Journal of Negro History,  
1538 Ninth Street, N.W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Geo. W. Richards,  
Theological Seminary of the  
Reformed Church in the U.S.  
Lancaster, Pa.

G. Ellsworth Huggins,  
299 Broadway,  
New York City.

Robert H. Gardiner,  
Gardiner, Maine

Bishop R.A. Carter,  
Fourth Episcopal District,  
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church,  
4408 Vincennes Avenue,  
Chicago, Ill.

Henry H. Sweets, Secretary  
Christian Education and Minister-  
ial Relief,  
Presbyterian Church in the U.S.,  
410 Urban Bldg., Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. T. W. Bickett,  
Division Infant and Maternal Information  
North Carolina State Board of Health,  
Raleigh, N.C.

Dick Edwards,  
Cornell University Christian Assoc.,  
Barnes Hall, Ithac, N.Y.

O. E. Barnes, Dean,  
Vanderbilt University School of Religion  
Nashville, Tenn.

Monroe N. Work,  
Editor, Negro Year Book,  
Tuskegee Institue, Ala.

Paul Monroe, Director  
International Institute,  
Teachers College,  
New York City.

C. H. Tobias,  
Colored Men's Department Y.M.C.A.  
347 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.

Lucy R. Mason,  
Chairman Committee on Women in Industry,  
Virginia League of Women Voters,

11. The Next Meeting.

It was moved and seconded that the Executive Committee adjourn to meet again in June, it having been agreed to omit the May meeting in view of the lack of pressing business.

Respectfully submitted

Rhoda E. McCulloch  
E. C. Carter

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Executive Secretaries



April 23, 1923.

My dear Mr. Alexander:

Your letter of April 19th is at hand. I am indeed sorry that you will not be in Atlanta while I am there.

With regard to your invitation that I attend the meeting of the Social Service Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, on July 5, 6, 7, I am exceedingly sorry that I will not be able to accept, since I am to be in England at that time. I have not received an invitation in many months that I regard as being more important than this one. I am sincerely sorry that it is out of the question for me to attend.

Cordially yours,

W. W. Alexander, Esq.  
Commission on Interracial Cooperation  
409 Palmer Building  
Atlanta, Ga.

April 23, 1923.

Dear Mallon:

I am exceedingly sorry that I am to be out of the city at the time of your arrival. Unfortunately I am leaving for a tour in the South and do not get back until May 15th. I am very eager to see you before your return to England and hope that you will make an effort to get in touch with me at Vanderbilt 1200.

Miss Van Kleeck has informed me that you do not have any engagement scheduled for Friday evening, May 11th. We are therefore taking the liberty of announcing that you will speak at a meeting of the Fellowship for a Christian Social Order. I will give you the exact time and place in another letter within a day or two. We would like to have you talk upon the general topic, What is the British Labor Party Planning to do? We hope that you will find it possible to cooperate in this way.

I am eager to have a good visit with you.

Cordially yours,

J. J. Mallon, Esq.  
c/o Miss Mary Van Kleeck  
130 East 22nd Street  
New York City



April 25, 1923.

Dear Gene:

I am delighted to be able to report to you that this afternoon Mrs. Willard D. Straight gladly agreed to contribute \$500 toward your travelling expenses to England.

I am writing to Sid Gamble as per the enclosed copy.

All of us are rejoicing over this turn of events.

What a time we shall have together!

Cordially yours,

Mr. Eugene E. Barnett,  
Foreign Department,  
347 Madison Ave.,  
New York City.

Dictated April 25, 1923.

Dear Sid.,

Many thanks for your good letter of April 7th. I think the warning of your friend concerning the outline of Makers of Freedom is quite to the point. I think you will agree that the wording on the revised outline is better.

I am leaving tonight for Richmond and the South and do not get back to New York until the 15th of May. I shall visit my people in Houston on this trip. I have not seen mother for two years and am very eager for a long visit as you can well imagine. I hope to see you when you come East in May.

We seem to be lining up a very strong party for Europe this summer.

Cordially yours,

Sidney D. Gamble, Esq.  
4 Westmoreland Place  
Pasadena, California



April 25, 1923.

My dear Mrs. Straight:

✓ Let me thank you most heartily for your offer of this afternoon to contribute \$500 each toward the expenses of Mr. James H. Maurer and Mr. Eugene E. Barnett to England this summer.

Mr. Maurer, as you well know, is President of the State Federation of Labor of Pennsylvania and one of the most influential labor leaders in this country. His presence will be of great value to the other members of the party and his experiences during the summer should better equip him for his important work in this country.

Mr. Barnett is one of the secretaries of the National Committee of the Y.M.C.A. in China. During the past year he has been National Student Secretary. He has just been asked to serve as National City Secretary, with considerable responsibility for the industrial work of the Y.M.C.A. in China. Mr. Tehou tells me that Mr. Barnett has more influence with the Chinese officials of the Association than any foreigner in China. This trip will mean great things for the future work of the Association in China.

Mr. Maurer and Mr. Barnett, as well as Mr. Eddy and myself, are deeply grateful for your help in this matter. Your gifts may be sent direct to Mr. Maurer and Mr. Barnett or to me for them. The money will not be needed before the middle of June.

I enclose a tentative list of the members of our party.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. Willard D. Straight,  
1130 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

April 25, 1923.

Dear Walter:

Are you folks still in the land of the living? We simply must get together for a good visit. I am leaving this evening for Richmond, Atlanta, New Orleans, Houston, Dallas, Oklahoma City, Kansas City and Chicago and do not get back to New York until the 15th of May. Could you and the lady come out to Hasbrouck Heights on Monday, May 21st or Tuesday, May 22nd, preferably Monday. I am asking the Couches and Grattons to come along at the same time so that we may have a real party. We want you to come early and stay late. You need not bring your own lunch along.

My work has been going along in good shape. I have had the best year of my life by far. I am preaching more often now than when I was in Ridgewood and am doing a considerable amount of study and writing. I am planning to spend the summer in Europe. Do make an effort to come out for a good long visit.

Cordially yours,

Rev. W. A. R. McPherson  
611 Forest Avenue  
Brooklyn, N.Y.



April 25, 1923.

Dear John:

Are you folks still in the land of the living? We simply must get together for a good visit. I am leaving this evening for Richmond, Atlanta, New Orleans, Houston, Dallas, Oklahoma City, Kansas City and Chicago and do not get back to New York until the 15th of May. Could you and the lady come out to Hasbrouck Heights on Monday, May 21st or Tuesday, May 22nd, preferably Monday. I am asking the Couches and McPhersons to come along at the same time so that we may have a real party. We want you to come early and stay late. You need not bring your own lunch along.

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Affectionately yours,

Rev. W. J. Gratton  
The Manse  
Palisades Boulevard  
New Jersey

April 25, 1923.

Dear Leon:

I was glad to get your note and to learn that things are coming along so nicely with you. You seem to be making a real record with your work.

We simply must get together for a good visit. I am leaving this evening for Richmond, Atlanta, New Orleans, Houston, Dallas, Oklahoma City, Kansas City and Chicago and do not get back to New York until the 15th of May. Could you and the lady come out to Hasbrouck Heights on Monday, May 21st or Tuesday May 22nd, preferably on Monday. I am asking the Grattons and McPhersons to come along at the same time so that we may have a real party. We want you to come early and stay late. You need not bring your own lunch along.

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Affectionately yours,

Rev. Leon H. Couch  
Second Church, Disciples of Christ  
595 East 169th Street  
New York City



April 25, 1923.

My dear Mr. Maurer:

Many thanks for your good letter. I greatly appreciate the spirit in which you have written. We are very eager to have you as a member of our party this summer.

I am delighted to be able to report to you that Mrs. Willard D. Straight has gladly agree to contribute \$500 toward your travelling expenses. She spoke in the highest terms of you and your work.

I hope you will proceed, therefore, to get your passport and make preparations for the trip. At your convenience, please fill out the enclosed questionnaire and return to me.

I am looking forward with much personal pleasure to this close contact with you.

Cordially yours,

Mr. James H. Maurer,  
President Penn. State Federation of Labor,  
Harrisburg, Penn.

You are cordially invited to be present  
at the installation of  
Kappa Lambda  
of Drake University as  
Delta Omicron  
of

Alpha Tau Omega

April 26th, 27th and 28th  
nineteen twenty-three  
Des Moines, Iowa

Headquarters:  
Hotel Fort Des Moines



## Program

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### Thursday, April 26th

EVENING—SMOKER AT THE CHAPTER HOUSE  
(1120 26TH ST.)

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### Friday, April 27th

FORENOON—INITIATION OF ACTIVES

AFTERNOON—INITIATION OF ALUMNI

EVENING—INFORMAL STAG BANQUET AT HOTEL  
FT. DES MOINES (\$2.00 PER PLATE)

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### Saturday, April 28th

FORENOON—INSTALLATION OF CHAPTER AND  
INDUCTION OF OFFICERS

AFTERNOON—DRAKE RELAYS

EVENING—FORMAL DANCE AT HOTEL FT. DES  
MOINES

347 Madison Avenue  
New York City

April 26, 1923.

My dear Sherwood:

I am enclosing a revised outline of Makers of Freedom. It has occurred to me that it would be an excellent idea to include a chapter on St. Paul. I think we could make a thriller out of his story.

I have done a considerable amount of reading on the lives of those persons checked in red. I think we ought to have no trouble in completing this book during the summer. I am strongly convinced that we are on a hot trail.

I am leaving tonight for the Richmond Fellowship Conference. Following that I am going to make a tour through Atlanta, Birmingham, New Orleans, Houston, Dallas and Oklahoma City on behalf of the National Conference on the Christian Way of Life. I will stop at Kansas City for the Fellowship Conference on my way back. The 1924 Conference will take care of my expenses from Richmond through the South to Kansas City. You may be sure that I am eager to see my mother and brothers again.

I think we have a very strong group lined up for the Seminar. I have sent you a revised list. It will probably be necessary to have some of the younger members of the party room elsewhere than in Toynbee Hall and on occasions we may have to split the group into an A and B list as we contemplated two years ago.

Ben Cherrington is in town this week. I had three or four hours with him the day before yesterday. He has not yet reached a decision but is strongly considering the possibility of giving his full time to the Fellowship and to presenting his message in various centers. With the \$2000. promised by Harold Marshall as a start, we ought to have no trouble providing his budget. I am more than ever convinced that we ought to get Cherrington or someone else to concentrate upon the work of the Fellowship. We are eager to get some word from you as to your opinion about this matter.

With reference to the date of my coming over, I am rather inclined to believe that it will be better for me to come with the group on June 23rd. If I do not come until this date I ought to have most of the reading finished for Makers of Freedom. In that case I hope it will be possible for me to spend at least ten days on the continent in August in order to get a fresh touch with the situation there. On the whole I am inclined to think that this is better than for me to come over early unless there is some special reason why I ought to be with you for a period in June. In due time I shall hope to have some word from you about this.

Affectionately yours,

Sherwood Eddy, Esq.  
c/o D. A. Davis

Geneva, Switzerland



NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE CHRISTIAN WAY OF LIFE

Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee

May 14, 1923  
129 East 52nd Street, New York City  
5:00 p.m.

Present: Miss Cratty  
F. E. Johnson  
J. W. Langdale  
Miss Morgan  
J. W. Nixon  
Mrs. Straight

Miss McCulloch ) Executive Secretaries  
E. C. Carter )

M. A. Mallory

1. Emergency Executive Committee.

It was proposed that an emergency executive committee be appointed to be held responsible as a kind of summer cabinet to whom the Executive Secretaries might refer when necessary. The following names were proposed as members of the committee:

Miss Morgan  
Mrs. Straight  
Mr. Harrison Elliott  
Mr. Charles Fahs  
Mr. Fred Harris  
Mr. F. E. Johnson

It was moved, seconded and approved that this group should act as the Emergency Executive Committee, submitting matters in correspondence to the whole Executive Committee for criticism or approval. In case some big question should arise this group together with the Executive Secretaries could decide to call a meeting of the whole Executive. In view of these appointments it was agreed that unless there was some objection from some members of the Executive Committee the Committee as a whole would not meet again until the fall, unless at the call of the Emergency Executive Committee and the Executive Secretaries.

2. Report of the Commission on Industrial Relations.

Mr. Carter reported that at the last meeting of the Industrial Commission having taken into consideration Mr. Page's desire to resign from the Secretaryship of the Industrial Commission, it was agreed that the reconstitution of the Commission was necessary, and it was proposed that it be entrusted to a Reconstitution Committee consisting of the two Executive Secretaries who should associate with themselves two members of the Commission, - this Committee to consider the various problems, suggestions and ideas regarding the function of the Commission. The Executive Committee granted the request of the Commission on Industry that a Committee consisting of the two Executive Secretaries and two persons to be chosen by them should be empowered to reconstitute the Commission on Industrial Relations. Mr. Carter reported that the Executive Secretaries had asked E. C. Lindeman and Fred M. Harris to work with them and as a result the attached draft of a plan for further discussion had been accepted by the Reconstitution Committee. Mr. Carter stated that in view of Mr. Page's insistence at the meeting of the Industrial Commission that he could not undertake the more general promotion of discussion which is involved in the whole of the Commission's work, the Reconstitution Committee asked the Executive Committee's approval of the appointment of Professor A. D. Sheffield of Wellesley College, to help as an official of the Commission if he could secure leave of absence of a year from academic duties. The Executive Committee received the report of the Reconstitution Committee and approved the action taken including the extending of a call to Professor Sheffield for full time work with the Industrial Commission beginning September 1, 1923.

3. Report of the Commission on International Relations.

Miss McCulloch reported for this Commission. She stated that the regular weekly meetings of the Commission had ceased, to be resumed in the fall. Mr. Fahs and she had been appointed to put in final shape the questionnaire material for the use of the Student Conferences during the summer. She stated that following the completion of this first outline which would contain a rude summary of the topics discussed with partial development except in two cases when the questions would be intensively developed, it was the purpose of the Commission that Mr. Fahs and she should continue the process of intricate development of the other topics to be made available for use in the colleges in the fall. Following that it would be necessary to work out some process of getting from the groups the results of their experience in working at the topics. This would make it possible for the Commission to improve again and again on the outline and using this as a basis build other outlines for other groups.

In connection with the work of the Commission, Mr. Carter stated that Mr. Amacker who had been employed through a sub-committee consisting of Mr. Croly, Mr. Fahs and Mr. Shepardson to assist in the research work of the questionnaire, would complete his duties on June 15th. Miss Morgan moved and Miss Cratty seconded the motion that the Executive Committee ask the Executive Secretaries to convey to Mr. Amacker the appreciation of the Conference for his service in connection with the work of the Commission on International Relations. It was a vote.



4. Report on Financial Matters.

Mr. Carter reported that Mr. Dwight Morrow had consented to serve on the Finance Committee but felt that the organization of the Finance Committee and the selection of a Treasurer should wait until the autumn. Mr. Carter stated that due to Mr. Page's many absences from New York Mr. Johnson at the request of the Executive Secretaries had asked the Fifth Avenue Bank to authorize Miss Marjorie A. Mallory to sign checks as well as Mr. Page. Mr. Carter reported that neither Miss Mallory nor Mr. Page were anxious to continue but that Mr. Morrow had advised against the selection of a temporary treasurer and had counseled that Miss Mallory and Mr. Page continue to act. Mr. Carter asked authority of the Committee to have Price Waterhouse and Company audit the accounts and suggest a simple form of bookkeeping and to ask Mr. Douglas Elliman to act as temporary advisor in the matter of finances. The Executive Committee approved the action outlined above.

5. Report of the Commission on Race Relations.

Miss McCulloch reported for this Commission that a small meeting had been held some days before and the conclusion had been reached that it would almost be necessary for one person to give considerable time to the consideration of the lines along which this inquiry ought to move and to speak with people representing several lines of thought. Among people considered for this preparatory summer work was Miss Ruth Crawford. The group approved. An informal talk was had with her but she felt that she could not undertake it. The group still feels that they should have a person to do some preliminary work in preparation for the fall. This will be the last commission to get underway with the most difficult question and it is necessary to move slowly.

6. Report of the Commission on the Social Function of the Church.

Miss McCulloch reported for this Commission that they are beginning to attempt to break open the whole subject as to what the function of the Commission should be. She stated that Mr. Jay A. Urice who was acting as leader of the discussion now thought that it was time to dig down into one question and work out from the group itself a process and to break off segments that might be developed in other groups. Miss McCulloch said that at the next meeting the various points of view regarding the church's attitude toward prohibition would be discussed largely as a demonstration of what could be done in that kind of discussion.

Letters of Resignation.

Mr. Carter read Mr. Harold Hatch's letter of resignation from the ~~Executive Committee~~. It was the sentiment of the Committee that Mr. Hatch be asked to reconsider his resignation from the Executive Committee.

Mr. Carter read a letter of resignation from Mr. C. R. Joy. Mr. Joy felt that inasmuch as he was never able to attend the meetings of the Executive Committee he should resign, although he was deeply interested and suggested that he might best serve in the capacity of National Committee member.

The Executive authorized the Executive Secretaries to reply to Mr. Joy that his inability to attend meetings was not conclusive proof that he should withdraw but that if he preferred to serve on the National Committee his membership would be most welcome there.

8. Proposed Commission on the Family and Sex Problems.

Mr. Carter brought before the Committee the proposal which had come in from several sources that the Conference institute a Commission to consider the Family and Sex Problems. It was agreed that the formation of a new Commission on this subject should not be undertaken because the task as at present conceived is pretty nearly a unit and is quite large enough.

9. The Next Meeting.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn, not to meet again until September.

Respectfully submitted

Rhoda E. McCulloch  
E. C. Carter

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Executive Secretaries.



*The International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations*  
*347 Madison Avenue, New York.*

FOREIGN DIVISION

April 28, 1923.

Dear Kirby:

When you come to England please bring such books as you think we will imperatively need, including Webb, Cole, one or two copies of Bromley Oxnam's report on the speeches of the first seminar, and any books you think we would need in the preparation either of Makers of Freedom or of my book on labor.

I shall be working here in the International Bureau of Labor of the League of Nations for the next two weeks on the labor movement on the continents of Asia and Europe. I shall write the sections on the British labor movement and the American labor movement while I am in England.

Please ask Miss Metzger to send me for passport purposes a dozen of the thinnest copies of my photograph. If none such are available, send the cheap photos with the name G.S. Eddy printed on them. If you have a hundred of these to spare, you might mail them to Wilbert Smith, Esq. c/o Y.M.C.A., 8 Sharia Nubar Pasha, Cairo, Egypt, to distribute to members who have remained faithful in the Bible classes. Please mail two hundred envelopes and two hundred sheets of letter paper, like the second sheet of this letter, to Geneva, c/o Y.M.C.A., 13 Avenue de Champel. You had better bring a small supply of paper, envelopes, etc., with you when you come to England.

*Sent May 12*  
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With regard to your visiting one or two countries on the continent, I should think the ones which would best pay you are Germany, Denmark for its Cooperative Movement, and Holland where you would be able to see Fimmen of the International Federation of Trade Unions at Amsterdam. I do not know whether you would find much that is worth while here at the International Labor Office. Although there are some three hundred men and women on the staff, there are only three or four friendly Americans and a large number of foreigners. There are vast piles of statistical reports of various governments and labor organizations, but I imagine you have access to all of this material in the New York Library. If I do

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not go into Russia in June (it is doubtful whether I will obtain permission), I would be glad to have you join me from the close of the Portschach Conference, June 10. I think there is nothing that would interest you or profit you in the Conference itself. I shall probably go from Portschach up to Berlin, reaching there I should think about June 12. After a few days there I might proceed to Denmark, Holland, Belgium, Paris and London. I shall also visit the Ruhr. I think you could probably get all that you would want on the continent in the course of a week or ten days. I shall go on to London as soon as I finish my work.

I do not think you could profitably visit Italy. Milan is the chief industrial center and I could find no one there who spoke English. I had to bring a special interpreter from Turin to Milan and then could get but little information. You will find the results of what information I did get in the five or six articles I am mailing you on the situation in Italy.

I cordially agree to your making an effort to bring Barnett to England. Hollis Wilbur, one of the National Secretaries of China, expects to be with us in London with his family. He alone might stay in Toynbee Hall, or he might go with his family to some other place. The family could not be regarded as members of the Seminar. It is much more important that Barnett come than Wilbur.

I am disappointed that you have no labor leaders and not very many strong men for the Seminar this year. I would be willing to contribute \$250.00, or half the expenses for either Cavert or Johnson. If we cannot secure men of this type for the Seminar I question the practicability of the Seminar for next year.

I will leave it to your judgment as to how far you should send out my report letter on Palestine. All is going well. Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Ever yours,

*Overwood.*

Kirby Page, Esq.  
347 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.

*I am cabling you today to bring Mr. & Mrs. Barnett but try hard for their expenses from some special source. A visit in person to Mr. & Mrs. John Carruthers at Easton Pa. & his from N.Y. would bring \$1,000 if you put up a strong case. It would pay you to get to know them & she has a*

*million and; very specially - must do but not yet time to go. Best for definite return*



c/o Y.M.C.A.,  
13 Avenue de Champel,  
Geneva, Switzerland.

April 28, 1923.

My dear Ben:

Since Kirby wrote me about his conversation with you I have been much in thought and prayer about the question of your future. I love you as a friend and want to see you in the work where you can count the most for the Kingdom.

I believe we need another man who will give his full time to the work of the F.C.S.O. I know of no one in America who could do that work as well as yourself. I could give a fraction of time and so can Kirby, but both of us can no longer carry the work of the Fellowship.

I believe a man is needed to do several things: First, to visit the colleges in America, delivering a social message to the entire student body, followed by an extended conference with the inner group interested in the program of the Fellowship. I believe a Fellowship group should be organized in every college where the field is ripe, which would be in most colleges. The secretary should not only organize the groups but suggest courses of study and topics for discussion, speakers, plans for socializing the Y.M.C.A. and the college. He should follow up these groups by correspondence, father and foster them and guide a developing social movement throughout the colleges. He should keep them in touch with other liberal clubs, the Fellowship of Reconciliation, etc.

Second, the secretary should give a social message to the City Associations and the Church and organize groups in all the cities where it is possible. He should also keep in touch with these groups as well as those in the colleges. Third, he should plan for a series of conference throughout the country, securing speakers and being present at the conferences. Fourth, he should co-operate in the distribution of literature and carry on a social campaign through the press to achieve the objects of the Fellowship.



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I believe that no one should undertake this who does not really believe with all his heart in the Fellowship, and that the time has come to organize Fellowship groups in colleges and cities throughout the country. I do not mean of course an over-emphasis upon organization and machinery. But I mean that it would not be enough in my judgement merely to go through the colleges giving a social message without leaving some organization to carry on the work and undertake definite social activities. There are already a score of men like Stitt Wilson who are giving a social message. There is great need, however, for someone to give his full time to carry out the purpose of the Fellowship. I think it will come to little until some man gives his full time to it. But I believe the time has now come for us to go forward and I know of no one in America better fitted for this work than yourself.

I hope you can see your way to take up this work for 1924, coming over to the Conference in London and beginning the work immediately upon your return to the States. At the close of 1924 I think we ought to face the question of the future policy of the Fellowship, and to see whether you feel called to put a term of years into this work. I know of no way of ascertaining that except by trying it. At the close of a year we ought to face the whole situation anew to see where we stand.

I am prepared to underwrite your budget to the close of 1924 and then together take up the whole question of the future. I believe the call must come from God and that you must feel the inner conviction in your own soul. I shall pray that you may be guided at this time. I believe this would probably open up a more permanent work than your present position. I shall earnestly hope to see you in London with the Seminar as a preparation for this undertaking. The whole time secretary of the F.C.S.O. could act as an honorary secretary so far as the Fellowship was concerned. You and Kirby and I could make all arrangements together.

Although I would underwrite the budget, that would not mean that I would necessarily raise all the money required by the Fellowship. You and Kirby and I should all do out utmost to secure whatever funds were necessary for the Fellowship. It might mean the writing of a few letters, the making of a few calls throughout the year to secure all funds needed for the work, but there should be no great difficulty in this. Looking forward to seeing you soon,

Ever affectionately yours,

Ben Cherrington, Esq.  
Y.M.C.A.,  
Denver, Col.

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c/o Y.M.C.A.  
13 Avenue de Champal,  
Geneva, Switzerland

April 28, 1923.

My dear John:

I have received your two letters concerning my giving a block of time to financial work for the Foreign Department when I return to America. I find myself drawn in two ways. I feel deeply the need of the Foreign Department and know well its need of financial help. On the other hand I cannot abandon the work to which I feel God has called me.

I do not feel that I could use my full time to the best of advantage in exclusively serving the foreign work. Supposing I go to a city like Boston, St. Louis, Kansas City, Philadelphia, or a score of other cities. I could give my message at noon to thirty or forty business men, whom it is increasingly difficult to get out, and at night to a very cheap and small company of younger men. I might secure a portion of one budget after spending hours of the day going after donors, the majority of whom will be hundred dollar men. And I leave the city without having given my message to that community at all. I am gagged and silent on the great social needs of America and of the world. My message is stultified and my conscience is troubled.

You say this is the crucial year. So it is and so it has been for the last twenty years that I have known the foreign work. I cannot truthfully accede to your request to give all of November and December to this work. After some thought and prayer upon the subject, I feel minded to propose the following plan for November only, or for any other four weeks that you prefer, on five days a week, omitting Saturday and Sunday: I would suggest that I give one event a day for the foreign work in various cities. It would usually be in most cases a luncheon, though I should have to know well in advance whether the city to which I was going desired the noon or evening event. After speaking at the luncheon for business men, if that were the event chosen, I would solicit from the leading givers for let us say a



couple of hours immediately after lunch. I would ask that one strong Association man go with me who would work in the morning or during the previous day to secure a proper attendance. A would follow up all the small givers. If he could himself speak at an evening supper or event of the younger men, I might occasionally speak a few words at this event. But I would have to be free for an evening meetings in the city.

I would ask Kirby Page or some strong social worker to go with me to these cities. I would only go to cities where a strong social program was also set up. I would like to meet the ministers of the city for an unhurried conference in the morning on the world situation and the social message. I should hope that Page or whoever was with me would also address this meeting. In the evening I would like to address a large meeting of Christian people or a mass meeting, either on the world situation or the social message, or both combined. I might be able in certain meetings to make some reference to the foreign work but it would not be a foreign event.

I would be willing to start on this program only on condition that the general meetings were prepared with the same thoroughness and interest that the financial meetings were. At the noon meeting for big givers I would present a strong financial, foreign work message. At the ~~noon~~ <sup>evening</sup> and evening meetings I would give a strong social or world message. In some cities like Detroit, it would be far better to spend two days than to tear on to a smaller city without following up. In such a city as Detroit I would want to speak to the usual large gathering of business men at noon and to a small parlor conference which Studer has again suggested by request in Mrs. Torrey's home. In that case both of these events should come on the first day so that the second day would be free for solicitation from big givers.

You know me well enough to know that I would not haggle over a matter of time nor fail to see every good prospect I could in a city like Detroit. But unless there is a clear purpose to co-operate on the social program and to welcome it sympathetically, I prefer not to start on the tour at all. If it worked well during November, I might give a little more time in December.

I wish you would have a talk with Page and a thorough understanding as to whether real co-operation is possible on these two lines of work. If it is not it would be better to understand it at the beginning and not to attempt to carry out such a plan. In that case I shall give my whole time to social work to which I feel definitely called. I have made a more thorough study of social problems on this tour than I ever have before and I cannot come home to remain silent on the great



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problems which I have on my heart. If you really mean there is a crisis and can assure me that you will not need my help next year, I shall cheerfully give you all my time the rest of the year when I come home. But you and I know that the need will be just as great next year and the year after as it is this. We are going through a long and difficult financial period of transition.

If we are to undertake this program of co-operation I should want you to bespeak the loyal support of men like Harry White, and where there is not such loyal support I would rather not enter upon a city or region. In some cities that Page may indicate we would prefer to make our own setup for the social meetings under church auspices, but where we do not have such machinery I would expect the co-operation of the Association secretaries as a condition of entering upon the work. I would expect to write you further about plans, subjects, announcements, publicity, etc., but I will wait to hear from you before going any further in order to know how the plan I have suggested strikes you. Hoping to hear from you upon the matter.

Ever sincerely and affectionately yours,

John Manley, Esq.  
347 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.



*The International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations*

*347 Madison Avenue, New York.*

c/o Y.M.C.A.,  
13 Avenue de Champel,  
Geneva, Switzerland

FOREIGN DIVISION

April 28, 1923..

Dear Kirby:

I think I left in New York a copy of Frank Vanderlip's recent book on Europe. Will you please forward it to me at the above address?

I enclose a copy of my letter to Manley. I cannot refuse to help the Foreign Department on the finances of the foreign work unless I sever my relations with the Y.M.C.A. Every city in the world that I have visited this year have indicated the wisdom of continuing this relationship with the Association. In every city visited the Association secretaries have helped me to secure valuable information, putting me in touch with the leaders, both of labor and capital. It is the greatest single Christian organization I know in the world outside the denominational relationships of the Church in Rome.

I am all the more inclined to give five days a week to the foreign work when I realize that the same city where they will be soliciting for the Foreign Department will offer an opportunity for me to give my social message and get in touch with the pastors and church members. The foreign work can carry one really good event a day with influential people, but it would not be wise to attempt a second one as it nearly always breaks down and yields neither money nor an audience of any significance.

I want you to meet Manley half way and to be as sympathetic with the work of the Association, its financial problem and its tremendously important foreign work as you want him to be with my social work. I am getting off easy if I give them one event a day for a month, which I can easily do whether I enter the colleges or cities. In some cities like Detroit, the Association could get out a large number of ministers and arrange for a big mass meetings of Christians. In other cities it would be better to arrange for this under the Federation of Churches or under some other auspice. To make the most of this tour it would be necessary for one foreign organization man like Wilcox or Clinton to go with me, and very desirable to have one social worker with me who

*Sent May 9  
"What Night in  
Europe" - Frank  
Vanderlip*



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could take a number of meetings. For this work I would suggest Lindeman, Alva Taylor, Ben Cherrington, Childs, Raymond Robins or Stitt Wilson.

I wish you would write me very fully immediately after you have an unhurried conference with Manley. As in the case of capital and labor, we shall succeed not by competition, conflict and exclusion, but by cooperation.

I have an urgent invitation from Warren J. Moulton, 331 Hammond Street, Bangor, Maine, to give five addresses during convocation week to a hundred and sixty ministers and teachers in the Bangor Theological Seminary on "Applied Christianity" the last week in February 1924. They pay \$200.00 and expenses. The meetings are near to several colleges in Maine. They have had a distinguished number of speakers in the past. I hesitate to commit myself to the series of lectures for fear it will tie me to that part of the states so that I could not launch out on any extended tour in the South or West at that time.

I enclose a letter declining to take the series. If you or Porter have any strong convictions that I should do so, you might write them that I would consider taking them, but my judgment is against it at present. Send Moulton a copy of the Crisis.

Ever yours,

*Sherwood.*

Kirby Page, Esq.  
347 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.

*I am glad to see you use my first name  
I like it much better.*

*P.S. I think you should sell \$5000 of the Procter & Gamble stock as Mr James Gamble expects it and may look up the matter as underwriters.*